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not take place until the general

election after next. The Bound-

ary Commission will review

the constituencies and reduce

His victories include the reten-

tion for the new Parliament of

the present "block formula",

under which the Scottish Sec-

retary is able to distribute as

he sees fit the overall finance

for Scotland's public spending

programmes. In future the

Parliament will determine

spending priorities. He also hailed his guaran-

tee that the Parliament would

have the right to vary tax to the

sum of £450 million, although

the Labour Party in Scotland

has already made plain that it

has no intention of raising tax

It was not clear how the Parliament would be able to

raise extra revenue if, because

of changes to the British tax

structure, 3p on the standard

lion. Officials said it was a

matter for discussion between

the Scottish executive and the

Mr Dewar announced an

unexpected change to the leg-islation that distinguishes it

from the last Scottish home

rule effort in 1978. The Bill will

define the areas that are to be

"reserved" to Westminster.

rather than those that are to be

devolved to Scotland. That

means that the Edinburgh

Parliament will be able to

exercise its law-making pow-

over the next five years.

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TOMORROW FROM OLDHAM TO CHANEL MAGAZINE

White Paper becomes a best seller

# Labour MPs acclaim plan for Scotland

THE biggest change in Scot-land's links to the rest of Britain for nearly 300 years was heralded yesterday as the Government published plans for an Edinburgh Parliament that can raise taxes and make many of its own laws.

Donald Dewar, the Scottish Secretary, told MPs that the dramatic shift in power and influence back to Scotland, the greatest since the Act of Union in 1707, would strengthen the cohesion of the UK. The 129member Parliament would

start work in 2000.

But Michael Ancram, the Tories' constitutional spokesman, branded the proposals as "dangerous, damaging and dishonest". He claimed they would lead to "grave instability and long-term constitution-

The White Paper stirred great public interest in Scotland last night. Within two hours of going on sale at a large Glasgow bookshop, 500 copies of the £6.50 document had been sold. A record for sales of a government publication looked certain. They are going like the proverbial Scottish hot scones," the manager

A spokesman for the Scottish Office said it was astonished at the sales. "The Stationery Office printed an initial run of 5,000. Last night after hearing of demand from bookshops, they printed another 3,000," he said. Bookshops around the country are reporting heavy sales. If this is anything to go by, fears of apathy seem groundless."

The new Parliament, if approved by a referendum. . would be elected in 1999. An executive from the winning party would be headed by a First Minister and operate like a British Government.

health, education, local government, housing, transport, law and order, the environment, agriculture, sport and the arts, and many other

The Parliament would have power to raise or reduce the basic rate of income tax by up to three pence, yielding E450 million at today figures. The sum would be guaranteed, irrespective of changes to the structure of United Kingdom tax rates.

The Westminster Parliament would retain responsibility for foreign affairs.

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#### THE PROPOSALS

be elected in 1999.

☐ Electors to get two votes one for a constuency MP and one for a party list: 73 members will be directly elected, and 56 according to the votes for their parties. ☐ Education, health, law, en-

vironment, local government. and other areas devolved. ☐ Foreign, defence, security. and constitution stay with

crease, or decrease, tax by 3p. ☐ Scottish MPs at Westminster to be cut by about 12.

defence and national security. ethical matters such as abortion and human fertilisation and, crucially, the constitution of the United Kingdom. The Scottish Parliament could not deliver independence for Scotland, even though it might debate it.

The Scottish people will be asked in the referendum on September 11 whether they support the creation of Parliament and whether it should be able to raise tax.

The transfer of power will mean an eventual reduction in the number of Scottish MPs at Westminster by about a dozen. Mr Dewar had to bow to devolution critics within the Cabinet led by Jack Straw, the Home Secretary, that the law which guarantees Scotland 71 seats - there are 72 at present are only 55,000 electors on average per Scottish seat, compared with 69,000 in England. But Mr Dewar succeeded in



Irs all clear they're all reading

the White Paper

☐ 129-member Parliament to

the number of seats, but it is not expected to report until 2004, leaving Mr Dewar to fight at a later date to keep the reduction in seats as small as In most other areas, Mr Dewar appeared to have beaten off his London opponents.

- should be repealed. There

ensuring that the change will

ers in all other areas, reducing the scope for challenge. Some Tory MPs attacked Mr Dewar's announcement that Scottish executive ministers would be able to participate in EU Council of Ministers meetings and could in some cases speak for the United Kingdom. He stressed that they would speak to an agreed British line.

A delighted Mr Dewar, who flew to celebrate with Scottish MPs and home rule cam-paigners at Edinburgh Castle last night, told MPs: "In my time I have seen many devolution schemes. I genuinely Continued on Page 2, col 3

Scottish home rule, page !! she had confessed to having a Leading article, page !! passionate sexual affair for



Tracey Whalin, chained at the ankles, is escorted into a Florida court yesterday

## Woman who ran off with son's friend is arrested

THE mother of three who ran away with the 14-year-old best friend of her son was warned by detectives who found the couple in Florida that she faces up to 20 years in prison. Tracey Whalin, 33, ap-peared in court last night in handcuffs and manacled at the ankles while the boy was being cared for by social

workers. Mrs Whalin from Nottingham kept her head bowed and nodded as the judge said that she will have to stay in custody unless she can find £140,000 bail. The couple had been found at a holiday resort in the Florida Keys after Sean Kinsella telephoned his par-ents and police traced the call.

Dressed in prison-issue blue jumpsuit Mrs Whalin was flanked by two armed policewomen during her 13 minute appearance. Detectives say she had confessed to having a

over a year with the boy who plays in the same football

team as her son. She told them it was Sean's idea that they should abscond topether to America.

She was charged with "lewd and indecent assault on a child" as well as with "interference with custody". The first offence carries a maximum penalty of 15 years in prison, while the second — which



Sean Kinsella: to see his

his parents' permission - is punishable by up to 5 years... Sean is expected to be reunited with his mother. Beryl

Kinsella, on Saturday.

A spokesman for the Monroe County Sherriff's Department, described how the pair had been apprehended: "Sean rang his mother and they had a long conversation. After that, the FBI, the Nottingham police and AT&T were able to home in on the number from which the call had been made. We got there, knocked on the door, and the weary 14year-old answered it. We asked him if he was okay and he said 'yes'. Then we asked him if we could see Mrs Whalin and he told us that she wasn't decent. We ordered him to tell her to get dressed,

which she did, and then we took them both into custody." It is thought that the American authorities are likely to deal leniently with Mrs Whalin and could decide to deport her.

## Suicide on houseboat ends hunt for Versace's gay killer

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON AND MICHAEL McDonough in MIAMI

ONE of the biggest manhunts in America ended yesterday when police and FBI agents discovered the body of Andrew Cunanan. the gay gigolo and serial killer, in a Miamí Beach houseboat only three miles from the mansion where he had murdered Italian designer Gianni Versace.

Cunanan, 27, appeared to have committed suicide on the blue and white vessel, moored at Indian Creek. The gun found by his side was said to be "similar" to the .40 pistol used in three of his murders,

including that of Versace. As the sun rose over the pastel shades of Miami's Deco District, Cunanan's body was removed by police who will try to establish whether he was HIV positive.

"All across the nation, our citizens can stand down and breathe a sigh of relief," said Richard Barreto, the Miami

police chief. Cunanan had murdered five men, including switching from Minnesota to Chicago and finally to Miami as he expertly eluded his hunters, moving through America's gay communities in search of money and fame. Despite thousands of sightings throughout the country. it was a houseboat caretaker who alerted police to Cunanan's whereabouts after hearing a shot. More than 100 agents surrounded the twostorey houseboat, among them armed Swat teams in black balaclavas and bulletproof vests, who crawled along the deck as a negotiator was brought in. After a tense

seige lasting long into the night, police shouted "come

out, come out before firing

two teargas grenades. Six masked, helmeted officers

stormed the vessel. They later

appeared saying that no one had been found. Questions were already being asked yesterday about what appeared to be little more than a stalling ractic as the FBI swiftly checked fingerprints on the corpse and the ownership of the houseboat. The houseboat was owned

by Torsten Reineck, a German wanted on fraud charges who owns the Apollo, a gay sports club in Las Vegas. Police said there was no evidence to suggest that Mr Reineck, now believed to be in Mexico, had given Cunanan a key to the

The Versace company headquarters in Milan released a statement yesterday offering "gratitude and sorrowful thanks" to those who had contributed in the resolution of Gianni Versace's death.

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## Star of the black and white identity parade

By RICHARD DOCE

AS HE lined up in the identity parade Martin Kamara realised he was in serious trouble. Already under suspicion for extortion Mr Kamara, a heavily built and bald black man, cast glances to left and right down the file of eight men. All of them were white. Police, accepting that 6ft 3in



Kamara: I stood out

Mr Kamara might just have a point in deeming the parade unfair, had decided on what they believed to be the sensible option. They had the faces of all the other men painted black by a make-up artist who left their hands au naturel.

The blackmail case was dismissed by a judge yester-day because he found the prosecution had no corroborative evidence. An astonished Judge Michael Astill described the identity parade as "a farce".

Mr Kamara, 43, walked free from Sheffield Crown Court and said: "It was like an audition for the Al Jolson show. As the white men stood in the line up, the heat and the bright lights made their makeup run and smudge. There was no way that the identity parade could have been fair — I stood out like a sore thumb."

The judge, ruling that Mr Continued on page 2, col 1

## Law Lords raise Myra Hindley's hopes of release from prison

By RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

MYRA HINDLEY'S hopes of release may have been boosted yesterday by a House of Lords decision that Michael Howard had exceeded his powers when he increase the minimum period that a double murderer

must spend in prison. The Law Lords ruled that the former Home Secretary wrongly increased from 15 to 20 years the "tariff" that John Pierson must serve to meet the needs of retribution and deterrence. The 3-2 ruling has thrown into doubt whether a Home Secretary can increase a minimum sentence once it has been fixed and communi-

cated to a murderer. However, even if the decision to give Hindley a whole life tariff is bypassed, her future will remain in the hands of the Home Secretary. The Parole Board, which has already suggested she is suitable for open prison, can recommend her release, but the last word rests with the Home Secretary. In the present climate, no Home Secretary would give her her

spend the rest of their

Hindley, 57, currently in Durham jail, is one of those given a whole-life tariff as part of the harsher law and order dimate. Others include Peter Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire Rip-per, Bonaid Nilsen, the Black Panther, and Denis Neilson, who murdered men at his flat in Muswell Hill, London.

Hindley, jailed in 1966 with her pariner Ian Brady, is seeking leave to challenge the decision that she must die in jail. Her case is likely to be heard in the autumn. She was given a tariff of 30 years in

1985 by Leon Brittan, then Home Secretary. This was increased to "whole life" by David Waddington in 1990, a decision confirmed by Mr

Howard this year. It is understood that the Home Office has already conceded that, if it lost in the Pierson case, it would have to look again at Hindley's position. Pierson shot his sleeping mother and father at their remote farmhouse near Oswestry in Shropshire in 1984 and was given a double life

His initial tariff of 15 years was increased to 20 years. But Lord Hope of Craighead ruled resterday that "the Home Secretary does not have a general power to increase the period which he or his predecessor has fixed ... once his decision has been issued and communicated," But, the Law Lords said, if the trial judge and Home Secretary had been misled, a tariff could be increased.

The ruling also confirmed that the Home Secretary still has the power to set the initial tariff for offenders after taking advice from the Lord Chie instice and the trial judge.

Lord Goff of Chieve Lord Steyn also ruled that Mr Howard had exceeded his powers. Lord Browne-Wilkinson and Lord Lloyd of Berwick dissented.

The Home Office said last night that it would carefully consider the Lords ruling. "We don't know what effect, if any, if will have on other cases," a spokesman said. Jack Straw, the Home Secretary, refused

to comment. Kate Akester, of Justice, the pressure group, said: This means that other cases where tariffs have been raised by the Home Secretary will obviously have to be looked at immediately."

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## A generous drop of Dewar puts the House in good spirits

MATTHEW PARRIS

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"May I thank my Rt Hon friend," called Rosemary Me-Kenna (Lab. Cumbernauld and Kilsyth) to the Scottish Secretary. "for an hour and a quarter of entertainment." Poker-faced Donald Dewar greeted the compliment without apparent pleasure.

But he deserved it. Other columns will pick through the political significance of yesterday's Statement on the Devolution White Paper for Scotland. Here we might just pay tribute to one of the wittiest off-the-cuff performances by a Cabinet Minister in recent memory. If the forthcoming Bill fails, Mr Dewar has a pier-end future as a first-rate deadpan comic. In his vinegary way he combines the blank stare of Paul Merton with the acid tongue of Richard Wilson. What follows, then, could serve as the first page in a possible anthology: The Wit and Wisdom of Donald Dewar.

(On being tackled by Eurobore Bill Cash - C. Stone on an obscure European point concerning the application of the Maastricht Treaty to a Scottish Parliament): "I'd be the last to tackle him on European matters because I might never emerge from

Jim Wallace, who had welcomed the White Paper as the first step to a United Kingdom Federation): "He's pushing his luck." (To Lib Dem spokesman Menzies Campbell, who had

(To Lib Dem spokesman

(To George Galloway - Lab. Glasgow, Hillhead - who had told Dewar he was joining "somewhere, beyond these rafters" a heavenly host of heroes who had fought for Scottish home rule): "I'm just first heard Dewar argue for devolution in 1960; "I do a little bit nervous about my place there. I recently heard qualify as a sort of parliamensomebody on the wireless call

tary long-distance runner."

me 'a modern Robert the Bruce'. I took to my bed for the rest of the day."

(To Ian Davidson - Lab. Glasgow, Pollok - who had suggested that Tories stood their best chance of defeating devolution in the referendum if the ballot was "one-acre-one-vote"): "I'm doubtful about one slogan for a 'yes' to

Yes. yes, make mine a double might appeal in some parts of Scotland, but I suspect not in

(To John Greenway - C. Ryedale - who suggested the catchphrase "Dewar on the rocks"): "No more Scotch whisky jokes. I would remind surname of their leader."

Dumfermline W: "The Conservative Party has opposed every significant constitutional reform in the last two

anything about her. I've so many old Tory friends miss-Hon Members opposite of the (To Rachel Squire - Lab.

ing these days. I wander lonely in the corridor." (To Mrs Laing, who had asked about the list of those eligible to vote in a Scottish referendical: "It, includes some peers she may know.

tional fabric."

if she's a Scot I don't know

(To Tory spokesman Liam. Fox who called one provision years, they start claiming each as part of the web and the in the plans a conspiracy). If he sees things like that as woof of our ancient constituconspiracies he must lead a (To Eleanor Laing - C. Epping Forest: "I don't know

very frightened life."
(To Mr Fox. who thought it an offence against the Trade Descriptions Act to call the Liberal Democrats an opposition party"): "It does occur to me as unwise for him to talk about the Trade Descriptions Act. He describes himself as an Opposition

Spokesman on Scotland."

## BBC chiefs agree to change the face of Radio 4

Up to 20 familiar programmes are likely to disappear

soon, Carol Midgley and Damian Whitworth report

BBC governors yesterday sanctioned wide-ranging changes to Radio 4 that are likely to include the end of programmes such as Farming Today, You and Yours and The Moral Maze. The changes to the station's schedule were approved by the board after a meeting at Bush

Up to 20 programmes, some which have been going for decades, have been earmarked for the axe by James Boyle, Controller of Radio 4. prompting protests by pressure groups, BBC staff and

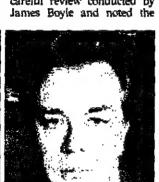
Mr Boyle is keen to introduce more comedy, quiz shows and modern drama to the station. Yesterday the BBC refused to confirm details of the changes because Mr Boyle was flying to America for his son's wedding. They will be disclosed when he returns next week

It is thought that the Today programme will be extended 30 minutes, starting at bam pense of Farming Today. which may be restricted to weekends or absorbed into Today.

Yesterday in Parliament, the 15-minute snapshot of exchanges in the Houses of Parliament, is also under threat in its current form. Questions have been raised in the House about its future and staff are campaigning for its survival. A Saturday edition of The Archers is being planned and Woman's Hour may be moved back to the afternoons. Kaleidoscope, Start the Week and The Afternoon Shift are likely to go or be revamped.

But the board of 12 governors said in a statement yesterday they had been reassured Radio 4 was not being "dumbed down" to seek a younger, mass audience.

"Governors were reassured that the BBC's proposals for Radio 4 were entirely in keeping with its best traditions, cultures and values. They commended the thorough and careful review conducted by



identification procedure was

Kamara over allegations that

he had demanded £21,000

from a financial adviser as

payment for a debt or he

would run the risk of his

Mr Kamara, a fibre optic

engineer from Doncaster who

denied the charge, said later:

"It was ridiculous. The whole

process was just laughable, I couldn't believe the police

were doing this. The white

men were standing there with

their faces blacked up - but

A South Yorkshire police

spokeswoman said: "We did

consult a make up artist who

experimented with blacking

the men's faces but it was clear

it was not going to work."

their hands were still white."

business being attacked.

James Boyle and Matthew Bannister, radio heads

widespread consultation which had taken place.

The governors, in common with Matthew Bannister (director of BBC Radio) and James Boyle, do not wish Radio 4 to seek a younger audience, and would not countenance the network becoming either less demanding or less rewarding for its established, thoughtful listeners." They asked for a further report on the commissioning process and audience attitudes.

Staff from Yesterday in Parliament have circulated an internal memo around the BBC urging executives to preserve the programme. The memo expresses bitterness that YTP is regarded as a strand of the Today programme rather than a programme in its own right. It argues that the programme's reporter is often the only iournalist in the Commons Press Gallery at key moments

in the day.
The Today programme should not have the power of life or death over 1TP simply because it currently forms part of that programme," it says. "If they resent having the daily report 'imposed' on them the straightforward: allow YTP a freestanding slot in the morning schedules at peak time."

The memo adds: The programme does not just regurgitate the main soundbites leard on news programmes. The correspondents and editors pride themselves on seeking a different approach, a absurdities and the pathos of many parliamentary events."



Dame Barbara: to reconsider manslaughter charges

## DPP checks second death in custody

By RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

THE Director of Public Prosecutions agreed yesterday to reconsider bringing manslaughter charges against three officers over a custody death, her second such move

The High Court had expressed concern over the acdepartment's, including discrepancies between affidavits and case notes, over the death of 19-stone Richard O'Brien. who suffocated after being arrested. The concerns included late disclosure of case notes and the identity of the official who took the decision not to recommend charges. One of the documents produced for the case was a memo ad-

dressed to Dame Barbara,

headed "For your decision". Last night CPS sources said the decision was taken by Robert Munday, a principal Crown prosecutor, and that Dame Barbara saw no evidential material.

On Wednesday, Dame Barbara agreed to reconsider a officers over the death of Shiji Lapite, arrested in Stoke New ington, northeast London. Mr O'Brien, 37, died when

he was arrested in Walworth. south London, in 1994. He had 31 areas of injury.An inquest jury said he had been unlawfully killed. The dead man's widow, Alison, of Bryn Parc, Swansea, had asked the court to overturn the decision not to prosecute.

#### Ian Healy carries bat as only tourist in the House

BY JAMES LANDALE POLITICAL REPORTER

IT WAS, in the words of one MP, simply not cricket. The touring Australian side had been invited to the House of Commons for a slap-up lunch with MPs and peers and only one of the cricketers bothered

to turn up. A cross-party group of 17 MPs put their names to a Commons motion yesterday chastising the Australians for snubbing the All-Party Parliamentary Cricket Group which organised the event and urged Michael Atherton's men to greater Ashes success. Similar. lunches are held annually for national cricket sides on tour in Britain and last year the MPs managed to get the entire Indian and Pakistani teams at the same time. . . :

But this year most of the tourists chose instead to spend the day watching the tennis at Wimbledon. The only one to attend the buffet lunch on Tuesday June 24 at the lavish Churchill Rooms in the Commons was lan Healy, the

He was, however, joined by Alan Crompton, the Australian tour manager, Michael Waish, the team scorer, and 11members of the players' famlies. After a quick tour of Westminster, they had lunch with 37 MPs and peers and a support the parliamentary cricket group.

Such was the excitement over the event at Westminster that even John Major turned up. Sensing the embarrassing lack of players, he left quickly.

Yesterday's motion expressed "regret" at the players' absence and added: "While wishing the Australian team. well, we believe there is no doubt that MPs will now be strengthened in their desire to see England regain the Ashes. and we wish Mike Atherton and his team every success." One MP has also written to the Australian High Commission to complain.

Roger Stott, Labour MP for Wigan and vice-chairman of the Cricket Group said the lunch was embarrassing for both the MPs and Texaco. "Considering the trouble that was involved in trying to make this event a success, we felt it was an astonishing snub on the part of the Australians," he said. "It is just not cricket: The management should have put them on a three-line whip. If they wanted to go to Wimble-don, they could have gone in

the afternoon." Mr Crompton said: "No commitment was ever made by the Australian cricket team to go. Criticism of the team over this is unfair."

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#### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Whitehall spending plans to be reviewed

The Government announced fundamental spending reviews across Whitehall yesterday in an attempt to save money and target spending more effectively in the next five years. Most departments have been told to go back to "zero"

to justify all their spending programmes.

Alistair Darling, the Treasury Chief Secretary, published detailed terms of reference for each Whitehall department aimed at greater efficiency and increased use of private public partnerships. The review will extend across departments and look at whether some spending programmes could be organised more effectively. A separate review is to Leading article, page 19

#### New training for bench

New training for the 30,000 magistrates in England and Wales involving "hands on" practical experience and training in equality awareness was announced by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Irvine of Lairg yesterday. The scheme, to be brought in from September 1998, will see a move away from book-learning, with magistrates having to master a set number of topics and clock up hours on courses. Experienced IPs will act as monitors

#### Rush for student places

University admissions officers are braced for thousands of late applications from students in the wake of Wednesday's announcement that grants are to be scrapped and tuition fees introduced in 1998. Applicants who had intended to take a year off before starting a degree may make next month's clearing operation for the remaining higher education places the most competitive yet. More than 40,000 students won places in clearing last year:

#### HIV-positive sex abuser

At least six children were sexually abused by an HIV-positive social worker responsible for their care, an inquiry by the National Society for the Prevention of Gruelty to Children has disclosed. Mark Trotter, 34, who died two years ago from an Aids related illness, carried out the assaults between 1981 and 1993 at Trowbridge House children's home in Hackney, east London. The NSPCC said it did not believe Trouer had passed on HIM to the children, now aged 18 to 35.

#### Scratch card TV game

Camelot has been given clearance for a new television game show based on Instants scratch cards. TV Dreams, due to start in the new year, will go out as part of one of the current BBC National Lottery Live draw programmes. A licence for the new game was announced by Peter Davis, the Ofiot director-general. Scratch card players will have the chance to take part in the televised show and win cash prizes.

#### Straw offers apology

Jack Straw, the Home Secretary, has apologised to the Birmingham Six over their wrongful convictions for an IRA pub bombing in 1974 and imprisonment for 17 years. He said in a letter to Billy Power, one of the Six, that it was a "matter of great regret" and added: "I am very sorry." The Six are in dispute over compensation, however, and Mr Power said Mr Straw's offer of further interim payments was derisory.

#### Parcel bomb sent to MP

A parcel bomb sent to the Unionist MP Robert McCartney has been intercepted and made safe by the Army. The device arrived at his office at the Northern Ireland Forum, where a suspicious member of staff called the security forces. The RUC said the bomb was "crude but viable". Mr McCartney. MP for North Down and the leader of the UK Unionist Party, was unaware of the bomb as he was on holiday.

#### Oasis singer cautioned

Liam Gallagher, lead singer with Oasis was given an official caution by police yesterday for causing criminal damage in an argument with a cyclist. Gallagher. 24. allegedly grabbed the cyclist's shirt from his car and later. allegedly grapped the cyclists shift from his car and later tossed his sunglasses to the ground. The incident happened in north London two weeks ago. In November he was cautioned after being found with cocaine in Oxford Street.

## **Identity parade**

Continued from page I Kamara could not face trial.

said: "It's a farce when the faces of white men are painted black for an identity parade. Ethnic origin is not only to do with colour, it is to do with other features. It is extraordinary that someone should have thought this would not have any bearing on the ourcome of this case."

Michael Pearson, for the prosecution, argued that the parade had eventually been abandoned without any witnesses being called to view the suspects. He said: "Because Mr Kamara was of unusual appearance, because of his age, baldness and skin colour. it was difficult to find suitable

The judge accepted that the

Scottish plan is best-seller Continued from page 1 believe this is the best — and right for Scotland."

The document was widely welcomed by Scottish Labour and Liberal Democrat MPs, who expressed their relief that its proposals were not a watered down version of the Scottish Constitional Convention's blueprint for a Scortish Parliament.

The Scottish National Party gave the White Paper a qualified welcome, despite its clear commitment to Scotland remaining an integral part of the United Kingdom and its un-ambiguous declaration that "UK Parliament is and will remain sovereign.

Jim Wallace, leader of the Liberal Democrats in Scotland, said: "Donald Dewar hit

the nail on the head today. Anyone who is serious about wanting to establish an effective Parliament for Scotland could not quibble with what is in the White Paper.

"It is a strengthening of the Scottish Constitutional Convention document. Where there is significant change from the Convention scheme it is usually better. We in the Liberal Democrats will now be our actively campaigning for a 'yes. yes' vote in the referendum."

Alex Salmond, leader of the Scottish National Party, said he welcomed the publication of the White Paper, allowing the Scottish people to study the detail of the proposals.

There are positive aspects in the White Paper. Anything

that manages to upset the Tories to the extent this, has has to have some positve aspects. But the list of powers to be reserved by Westminster is uncomfortably long."

He said the party would now decide whether to actively campaign for a "yes, yes" vote and a decision will be made in the next few weeks. "The test of the White Paper will be the extent to which proposals can generate real enthusiasm in Scotland by offering the prospect of real change,

Canon Kenyon Wright, of the Scottish Constitional Convention, said it was "an historic document" but said it was vital Scots voted in

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Black feminist saw racism where none existed

Tribunal rejects bias claim, reports Kathryn Knight

A BLACK left-wing sociology area with a large ethniclecturer was told by an indusitrial tribunal yesterday that her passionate beliefs had made her see a racist conspiracy where none existed.

Zimbabwean-born Ruth Chigwada-Bailey, an adviser to Emily's List, the Labour organisation that campaigns for more women parliamentary candidates, had a claim for racial discrimination dismissed because there was no case to answer...

Jessica Hill, the tribunal chairwoman, told Mrs Chigwada-Bailey that she had lost touch with reality and her judgment had been clouded by her feminist and anti-racist beliefs. She said Mrs Chigwada-Bailey, author of a book entitled Black Women's Experiences of Criminal Justice -A Discourse on Disadvantage, saw a conspiracy of racism in the most innocent

where she worked. Mrs Chigwada-Bailey, 38, had sought compensation from Camden and Islington Community Health Services NHS Trust for racial discrimination. In 1995 she was employed, via an agency, to be a charge nurse at a Community Health and Drug Service clinic in Camden, north London. She left in February 1996 when she was told that her services were no longer needed.

remarks at the drugs clinic

Giving evidence, Mrs Chigwada-Bailey said she had initially encountered hostility after questioning why there were no other black nurses at minority population. She said that black people who requested a black nurse were often refused

She told the tribunal that the white staff at the clinic had created a hostile atmosphere, and had referred to "your part of the world" as if she came from an inferior culture. On one occasion, she said, a senior nurse had suggested she use black magic to secure



Chigwada-Bailey: view was clouded by beliefs

a win for the staff National Lottery syndicate.

Mrs Chigwada-Bailey, of Stanmore, northwest London, said her job was made more difficult because white drug addicts were given preference for treatment at the clinic. She said that when she left she was told that a staff position had been hidden from her.

Ms Hill ruled that there was no case to answer after hearing evidence for 21 days. She the clinic, which was in an said that Mrs Chigwada-Bai-

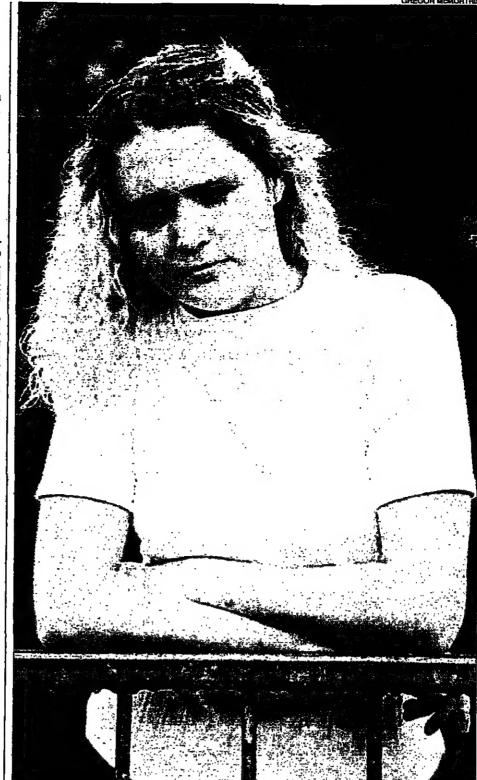
ley, although highly intelligent, had been unable to recognise her own failings. Even her husband had agreed that she had taken offence at what were well-intentioned comments.

evidence that there had been a case of discrimination." Ms Hill said at the tribunal in London. "The applicant clear-ly feels passionately about women's rights and black persons' rights. For that she is to be congratulated. But she appeared unable to accept there were potentially innocent connotations." Ms Hill said that black

patients received the same care as white addicts at the clinic and that Mrs Chigwada-Bailey had presented a "blinkered view" of the way the patients were treated. Sean Jones, barrister for the

NHS trust, said Mrs Chigwada-Bailey had been sincere about her allegations but was too quick to leap to conclusions of racist behaviour. "She has an absolute, and we say unjustified, belief in her ability to detect racism. Any compliment out to her is an act of racial harassment, and she knows it to be so."

Last night Mrs Chigwada-Bailey, a part-time lecturer at Birkbeck College in London, said: "I just wanted compensation for what happened to me. I have not got a chip on my shoulder. I don't consider every white person to be racist and I have lots of white friends, many of whom supported me in this action."



Sarah Briggs, who wrote to newspaper about poor teaching and staff absenteeism

## Byers orders inquiry into expelled girl

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION EDITOR

began yesterday into the expulsion of a 15-year-old girl who wrote to a local news-paper criticising teaching at her school.

Sarah Briggs was accused of bringing Queen Elizabeth's School, in Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, into disrepute. She had complained of teacher absenteeism and an inadequate response to a critical inspection report. Sarah was expelled after refusing to apologise to the head teacher.

Stephen Byers, the Minister for School Standards, called for an urgent report on the case yesterday and said that pupils should be allowed to comment on standards. Chris Woodhead, the Chief Inspector of Schools, also expressed

Sarah, who is due to take GCSEs next year, wrote the letter with three fellow pupils at the voluntary-aided school. The others apologised after an ultimatum from Nicola Atkin, the head. Sarah was still refusing to retract her comments yesterday, claiming to speak for dozens of pupils. She said: "All I was com-

plaining about was my education because i felt it was suffering. I stand by what I've said, no matter what happens, even though it has caused all this fuss for everyone."

Her parents accused the school of censorship. Her mother. Susan, said: When all this blew up I did nothing but cry, but I feel a lot better now that people in authority seem to be on our side." Mr Byers said that he could

not discuss the individual case, but added: "We don't believe education is some secret world about which par-

A MINISTERIAL inquiry ents and pupils should not be allowed to comment."

Mr Woodhead said he regretted the school's action. There is obviously a danger of pupils inflaming a situation by unnecessary remarks. But ports are written not just for teachers, but also for parents

and pupils."

The inspection, in April last year, identified "serious weaknesses" at the school, leaving it close to failure. The inspectors said pupils should be helped to develop more self-motivation and teachers should plan lessons more rigorously and

reduce disruption.

The report said: "Long-term absences and difficulties in appointing the right staff to key posts have seriously affected the quality of education."

The girls letter, written anonymously, claimed that some teachers were absent persistently. The school said that four members of staff had suffered long-term illness. A source at the school disclosed that Sarah's own attendance rate was only 77 per cent.

John Carter, the chairman of governors, said the allegations had been examined and rejected. He had written to Sarah's parents offering another opportunity to apologise before an official exclusion hearing in September.

Fred Riddell, who chairs Nottinghamshire Education Authority, said he wanted an early hearing to avoid disrupting Sarah's education. "I am very disappointed that such a situation should have arisen and am determined to do all 1 can to bring it to a swift and satisfactory conclusion."

## American pi whipped by cream of Japan

By NICK NUITALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

A JAPANESE scientist has again outstripped his Ameri-can rivals by calculating pi to more than 50 billion decimal places. The long-running rivalry between Yasumasa Kanada of Tokyo University and the Chudnovsky brothers of Columbia University, New York, has pushed the value of

pi to unheard of levels. circumference to its diameter and known to most schoolboys as 3.142 recurring, is a number without end so the latest calculation is unlikely to be the

Two years ago Professor Kanada used two computers. to verify the value of pi to 6,442,450,000 decimal places.
His latest figure, e-mailed to
Roger Webster of Sheffield
University and a leading authority on the history of pi, pushes the number of digits to 51,539,607,552

It beats by more than 48 billion the number of decimal places calculated by David and Gregory Chudnovsky. They first calculated pi to more than a billion decimal places in 1989 using a computer they built.

Dr Webster, of the university's school of mathematics and statistics, said if someone read aloud the latest record at a digit a second it would take 1,200 years to complete. "Printed in a book it would be five times as high as the Eiffel Tower. Stretched out in a line of print it would go three times round the world," he said.

Knowing pi this accurately is of no value. Dr Webster pointed out that just 39 places of decimals are sufficient to calculate the circumference of a circle girding the known universe to within the radius Pi, the ratio of a circle's of the hydrogen atom. But he ircumference to its diameter said Professor Kanada, who started at a mere 10 million decimal places in 1983, liked doing it "because it is there".

Dr Webster said it was unclear what the Chudnovsky brothers were doing. But it was rumoured that they were working on a trillion places for pi; there is also a team in The march of pi is an index

of sophistication in calculation. The Babylonians of 2200 BC gave it a value of 3.125, while the Greeks of 250 BC suggested 22/7 (3.14285), which was closer. Ludolph von Ceulen, a Dutchman, spent much of his life working out pi to 35 places, and when he died in 1610 had it inscribed on his tombstone. Computers have made the task easier, cracking the mil-lionth place in 1973 and the two millionth in 1981.

A Weish mathematician called Jones was the first to use pi as the circle symbol in a publication in 1706.

#### Two twits failed to woo owls

BY SIMON DE BRUXELLES

EVERY night for a year amateur owl breeder Neil Simmons tiptoed outside to hoot at a wild owl roosting at the end of his garden. He was no Dr Dolittle and the owl remained silent.

Last year Fred Cornes moved in next door, heard an owl hooting and answered back. For 12 months the neighbours crept into the back gardens of their homes in Stokeinteignhead, Devon. thinking they were communing with nature. Mr Simmons kept a log of all his conversa-tions with his feathered friend. They would both be out again tonight if it weren't for a chance conversation between

Mr Simmons, a computer programmer, said: "My wife Kim was telling Fred's wife Wendy about my owl watching and described how I got the birds to hoot back. She said, That's funny - that's just what Fred has been doing'. Then the penny dropped. I felt such a twit when I found out. The trouble is that owl calls aren't that precise and it's easy to make a

Mr Cornes said: "I'm really flattered. I never realised I sounded so realistic. I love nature and I couldn't resist hooting at the owls. I was absolutely delighted when they hooted back. I never realised that I was fooling my neighbour who was fooling

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## The tiny guitar for people with music in their blood

TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

IN THE age of the mini hi-fi and the ever-shrinking personal stereo, American scientists have been thinking small to produce the ultimate musical instrument a guitar about the size of a human blood cell.

Carved out of silicon, it is a hundredth of a millimetre long, and the width of each of its six strings is 50 nanometres — a nanometre is one billionth of a metre. In comparison, the diameter of a human hair is 200,000

nanometres. The strings can be plucked by a device known as an atomic force microscope, the researchers claim. but the device's purpose is scientific rather than musical. The technology behind its construction offers break-



throughs in making ever tinier electrical circuits and micro-electronic machines able to travel round the

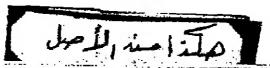
body repairing cells. The "nanoguitar" is the creation of a team led by two scientists at Cornell University. Professor Harold Craighead and Dustin Carr used technology known as E-beam, or electron beam lithography, to chisel out the guitar from a single crystal of silicon. Most micro-elec-

trical devices are made us-

ing chemical etching techniques. E-beam, in which a beam of electrons can produce a pattern, is more precise and can deliver finer Professor Craighead said:

"I know we can go smaller than this. The question is how small we can go and still have dependable and measurable mechanical properties. We are nearing the technological limit where it gets harder to get

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#### **HOME NEWS**

## Boxing's ruling body may challenge decision to knock out fights



Lewis: home defence

BOXING'S governing body is considering legal action to reverse a decision by Bury Metropolitan Borough Council to ban profes-

sional bouts from its leisure centres. The British Boxing Board of Control, fearful that other councils could follow Bury's example, may itself challenge the decision in the courts or back an action by a major

The ban follows a series of controversies in boxing's heavy-

allegations surrounding the American fighter Oliver McCall, and Mike Tyson biting off part of

Evander Holyfield's ear.
The council voted by 23 to 17 in favour of a ban. Derek Boden, its leader, said that councillors were impressed by the medical evidence against the sport. The vote, which was not whipped, cut across party

Council officers had prepared a report using research by the British

cause cumulative and lasting damage and that "punch drunk" boxers are more prone to Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases. Mr Boden said: "We decided that professional boxing is not compatible with the purpose of running our leisure centres, which is to promote health

and wellbeing."

He said that councillors found the evidence in favour of a ban for professional fights "compelling" but such evidence was less concluin the case of amateur boxing

which is not subject to the ban. Bury council decided to impose a moratorium on professional boxing after the death of James Murray in a bout in Glasgow in 1995. It was lifted earlier this year to allow Adey Lewis, 21, the British flyweight champion, who lives in Bury, to defend his title in his home town. Lewis had also wanted to hold his next fight, against Commonwealth title holder Peter Culshaw, in Bury.

it was pressure from Lewis's connections on the council to change its policy that provoked the

debate. They described the decision as hypocritical but their efforts have left the sport with a considerable problem.

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Lewis, known as the Mighty Atom, said: "I am very disappointed. This decision is out of order. They obviously do not know anything about boxing. I will just have

to go somewhere else to light."

The Boxing Board of Control sent Robert Smith, its southern area officer, to observe the debate. Before it started, he delivered an impassioned plea that boxing was a

the ban would deter other young fighters from emerging. Mr Smith said: "Some of the arguments they have used are just not valid. They have banned the professional sport but not the amateur one, which seems strange. A punch to the head is a punch to the head, whether or

not you are being paid. "It is not going to greatly affect professional boxing in the area but they have a British champion who would like to defend his title in front of his own supporters."

## PoWs lose fight to reclaim £90m in wartime pay

Michael Evans on a review of veterans' claims

THOUSANDS of Second World War veterans held in prison camps in Germany and italy have lost their fight to reclaim money that was deducted from their pay. A lengthy review, started under the last government, by Ministry of Defence historians

found they had no case. An estimated 14,000 former prisoners of war have been campaigning for lost pay amounting to about £90 million at today's value. A review in 1980 of their claim was regarded as inadequate and complaints from the ex-PoWs have increased:

John Spellar, Under-Secretary of State for Defence, said in a Commons written reply: "We now consider the matter." closed." Overall the review found "no evidence of lack of care, of significant injustice or grave financial disadvantage". He added: "I know, and

very much regret, that those people who have had their hopes raised will be very disappointed. I must conclude that the contemporary evidence does not support the claims that have been made."

Under the wartime arrangements, PoWs who were officers, and medics and chaplains, who were classed

as "protected personnel", were supposed to be given camp pay by their captors. The British authorities deducted the equivalent sum from their home pay to ensure that PoWs and others on active service received roughly the same remuneration.

However, many PoWs in Germany and Italy claimed they did not receive the full camp pay but found it difficult to press their case because all the pay records were destroyed after six years.

MoD sources said there had been a number of misconceptions among veterans. Many of those claiming, they said, thought the British authorities had deducted a percentage of their salary to repay Germany and Italy for the money they had paid the PoWs.

Although there was an agreement between Britain and Germany to refund money paid to PoWs, when the war ended each side agreed to waive the payments. The MoD sources also said that other ranks who had sent in claims did not receive camp pay, so no equivalent deductions had to be made.

Claims had also been made by PoWs in Japanese camps.

Although a percentage of their

pay was also deducted, the deductions were refunded in full when they were repatriated because of the treatment they received at the hands of their Japanese captors.

Group Captain Alec Ingle, in charge of the Justice for Prisoners of War group, repre-senting 8,500 officers who feel they lost between a quarter and a third of their pay during their stay in camps, said: The review seems to be far from impartial." His organisation had not been consulted. "We know what happened. We

were there," he added. He said the exchange rate offered for camp pay when ex-PoWs returned home had amounted to only about one third of its true value. In addition, most of the money spent while captive had been on things that, in normal circumstances, servicemen would not have had to pay for.

Graham King, of the National Ex-Prisoners of War Association, and a former member of the Medical Corps, said: "We won't give up." Former protected personnel, like himself, should have received not only a refund of deducted pay, but compensa-tion for missed leave and lost promotion opportunities.



Sheila Bowler is reunited with her children, Jane and Simon, after being freed at the Court of Appeal yesterday

## Teacher wins retrial over aunt's death

A MUSIC teacher convicted of murdering her elderly aunt by pushing her into a river was granted a retrial by the Court of

Appeal yesterday (Joanna Bale writes). Sheila Bowler, 67, who had been serving a life sentence at Holloway Prison in north London, was given bail pending the retrial at the Old Bailey after her

conviction was quashed as unsafe. Wiping away tears and hugging her children, Jane and Simon, she greeted wellwishers on the steps of the court after the judgment. In a statement she said: "I'm enormously relieved at the outcome of today's hearing. I want to thank all the hundreds of members of the public, and other friends and complete strangers, who have helped me. It's great to be out and to have this chance to prove my

The Lord Chief Justice, Lord Bingham Comhill, sitting with Mr Justice

Mantell and Mr Justice Dyson, were told that the jury at Mrs Bowler's trial at Lewes Crown Court in July 1993 was never given the chance of considering that 89-year-old Florence Jackson's death might have been an accident.

Mrs Bowler has always insisted that her late husband's aunt disappeared from her car, parked close to the River Brede near Rye in East Sussex. on May 13, 1992, while she was seeking help for a flat tyre.

#### Banker changes route to drive buses

BY SIMON DE BRUXELLES

A BANK manager has given up his £30,000-a-year job with NatWest to realise his childhood ambition of becoming a bus driver.

Despite the modest £11,000 salary and antisocial hours. John Burgin, 48, says that he has never been happier.

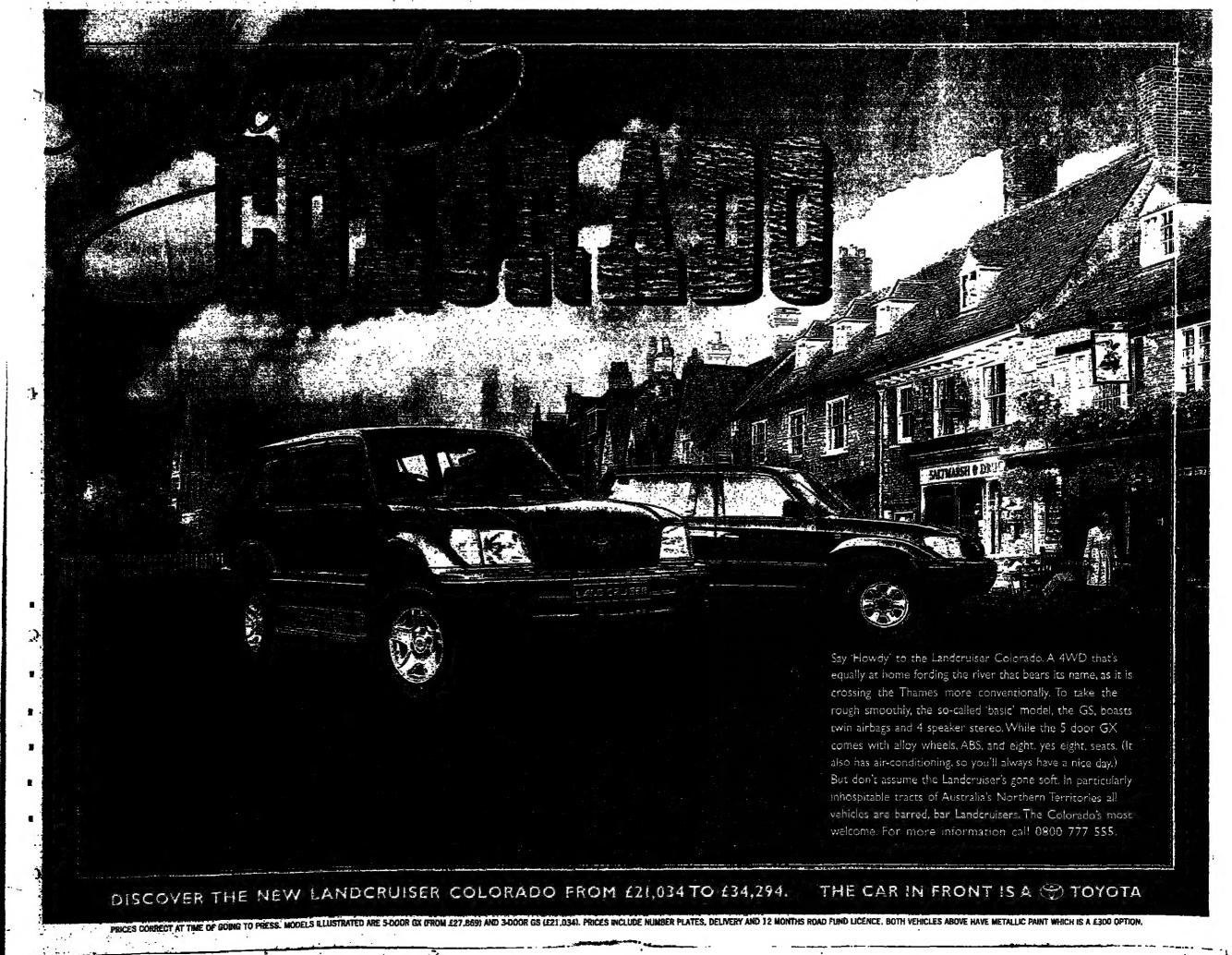
Banking was originally a career but in the end it became just a job," he said. "Once I knew I was leaving, I used to go outside at lunchtime and watch wistfully as the buses drove up and down. The time had come."

His love of buses was kindled as a boy growing up in Sheffield, where he collected bus maps and timetables. But Mr Bergin, from Nailsea, near Bristol, went on to spend nearly 30 years working his way up through NatWest.

He said: "The levels of stress are totally different. At the bank, things were very political. I worked hard all day and then took work home with me, and it never really finished.

"There is stress in driving a bus around Bristol — the traffic is heavy, car drivers can be rude and cyclists are a nuisance - but it's a different kind of stress and I don't take

His late change to work for Bristol's City Line fleet has raised his retirement age from 60 to 65, but that does not bother him. "It's taken me 30 years to get on the buses and I'm not in any hurry to stop.'



## Scientists clone lamb with human genes

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The team that bred Dolly the sheep is claiming another

breakthrough in genetic research, reports Nick Nuttall

THE first cloned animal carrying human genes has been developed by British scientists. Polly, a two-week-old lamb, has been genetically engineered to produce human proteins in her milk.

Animals, including pigs. containing human genes have already been born. But Polly and her four sisters are the first to be cloned. It opens up the field for rapidly producing identical flocks of sheep or other farmyard animals able to produce human proteins in their milk for treating

Alan Colman, research director at PPL Therapeutics in Edinburgh, said yesterday: "These lambs are the realisation of our vision to produce instant flocks or herds which express high concentrations of valuable therageutic proteins

The company is working with the Roslin institute, near Edinburgh, which recently announced it had cloned Dolly the sheep. It was the first time an animal had been cloned from a cell taken from a living adult. Dr Colman said: "They [the new sheep] represent the

next step in the commercialisation of Roslin's pioneering nuclear transfer work."

The lambs were all born carrying additional genes but only Polly — named because she comes from the Poll Dorset breed - has the human gene. The genetic material or nucleus was modified by adding the human gene together with a marker gene. The nucleus was then introduced into sheep's eggs from which the DNA had been removed.

The resulting embryos were transplanted in Scottish Blackface ewes which became pregnant. Blood samples were then taken from the lambs which were born and tests confirmed the presence of

Until now transgenic animals have been produced using the hit-and-miss method of micro-injection, which in-volves taking a fertilised egg and simply injecting DNA

PPL said yesterday that Polly and the other lambs would not be used for production but confirmed the commercial potential of nuclear transfer technology and their

progress will now be closely monitored. PPL's existing techniques already allow the economical production of a wide range of proteins from the milk of genetically-engineered animals

The firm's leading product is currently undergoing clinical trials for the treatment of cystic fibrosis. But the company claims the new technique offers extra benefits, including the fast production of flocks or herds through the quick gen-eration of a small, genetically identical flock.

This would significantly re-duce the production time of therapeutic proteins, the firm claimed. Ron James, the company's managing director, said the result would bring the human benefits from nuclear transfer work much closer.

He said the process would now be modified to try to develop new medical products using cows and pigs, as well as sheep. Professor Grahame Bulfield, director of the Roslin Institute, said: "This pioneering work will stimulate new opportunities in both agricultural and bio-medical



Polly the lamb with her Scottish Blackface surrogate mother. Polly will produce human proteins in her milk

#### Man jailed for getting rid of knife

A FORMER Labour council-lor was jailed for a year yesterday for disposing of a knife his son was suspected of using in the murder of a girl. Aubrey Ash-Smith, 49, who

denied perverting the course of justice, told Maidstone Crown Court he had boiled the army knife to remove his own fingerprints before he took it apart and got rid of it.

His son Colin was a suspect in the 1993 murder of a girl aged 15. Mr Ash-Smith, of Stone, Kent, must have known this when he found the knife two years later, the court was told. The son was later detained indefinitely at Broadmoor after admitting carrying out two attacks on women.

**Battery** hens must stay in cages, says council

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY GRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

FREE-RANGE hens are no. happier than birds kept in battery cages, government advisers said yesterday. The Farm Animal Welfare Council said that battery cages should 15 be phased out, but not until equally serious drawbacks of other rearing methods had been reduced.

The council recommended that the minimum area pro-vided per caged egg-laying bird should be expanded to 600 sq cms — about the same size as a sheet of A4 paper from the current minimum of

All new battery units would need to comply immediately, and existing ones within five years, but only on condition that this is also applied to egg production throughout the EU and to imported eggs.

Poultry farmers have criticised the proposal, saying that it would add 20 per cent to production costs. About 32 million hens in

Britain are kept in battery 9.6 billion eggs produced annually. Battery cages "argu-ably cause hens frustration and suffering", a report by the council said, because the birds cannot indulge in perching. scratching, foraging and dust bathing.
But battery cages are much

better for controlling disease. temperature, food and water supply, and the space restriction suppresses the birds' natural aggression and avoids feather-pecking and cannibalism common in free-range Sir Colin Spedding, who chairs the council, said more

research was needed into the possibility of producing more docile birds by changing diet or by breeding out aggression. Elliot Morley, the Agriculture Minister responsible for animal welfare, welcomed the report, and said he would discuss it with the poultry

#### CORRECTIONS

☐ A photograph accompanying a report in later editions yesterday of John Prescours decision to reject a scheme for widening the M25 was not that of Mr Prescott. We apologise for the error.

Shares sold by Sir Timothy Sainsbury (report, July 16) were not from his personal holdings but from his holdings on behalf of family and charitable trusts, of which he is not a beneficiary.

An article "A listed house for people and bears" (May 14)

Burfoot as a solicitor, when he is, in fact, an international banker. He has no connection with Peter Burfoot, the partner at the firm of Chethams.

Bledisloe QC (July ZZ), an expression of a personal view, should have carried his home address not that of his chambers.

The book Kids Guide to Making Money and Keeping It (Weekend Money, July 19) retails at £3.99.

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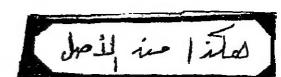
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BY IAN MURRAY, MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

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## Editors unite to thwart fake medical research

EDITORS of nine medical journals have set up a committee to tackle research fraud. Their joint initiative is designed to shame medical schools and royal colleges into controlling a problem that brings the profession into

The scale of fake research in Britain is not known but "it is becoming increasingly difficult to argue that cases are isolated and rare". Richard Smith, editor of the British Medical Journal, writes in today's issue. The United States has many cases because it has more effective methods for identifying them. In Brit-ain we seem to be leaving it to pharmaceutical companies, a

ONE-STOP clinics for rapid

diagnosis of breast cancer will

be among a package of measures costing £10 million to

improve detection of the dis-

Funding will come from the £20 million saved from the

NHS budget by suspending payments to the last batch of fundholding GPs. Each of the

eight regional health authori-

ties is to be given more than:

£l million to improve breast

Baroness Jay of Paddington, the Health Minister, said:

This is a clear demonstration

ment to cut NHS bureaucracy. and to put the money into

direct patient care. This extra

money will ensure that women have access to state-of-

the art treatment for breast

The initiative was an-

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Cherie Booth, whose aunt died

from the illness, became pa-

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Journals fear extent of fraud may damage profession, reports Ian Murray

private agency and the media to discover most cases." The plan to set up a committee came from Dr Michael Farthing, the editor of the

specialist paper Gut, who discovered that four articles he was sent in his first year in the job were suspect. The new body will be known as COPE - the Committee on Publication Ethics - and it will encourage editors to respond to misconduct by reporting the colleges rather than by taking the easy option of just sending

said. The Government decid-

ed to make better treatment

for breast cancer a priority within two weeks of taking

office because of the high incidence of the disease. It is

diagnosed in 32,000 British women each year and 14,000

die annually. One in 12 women will develop breast

Gordon McVie, director-

general of the Cancer Re-

search Campaign, said that the extra money would help to

eliminate gaps in the cancer screening system. "The treat-

ment women get is a lottery

depending on where they live," he said.
The Government's next big

challenge must be to address the geographical differences in standards of care and treat-

ment for the other big cancer

killers; such as lung and

Peter Selby, director of the

Imperial Cancer Research

Fund, welcomed the extra

spending but said; It is

important that there are im-

proved services and resources for all cancers.

The money will pay for more specialist nurses and

it and her family," Mrs Booth . surgeons. Other measures will

in the front line of the battle Anderton, a consultant physibecause they are regularly asked to publish articles which have dubious data. If they print the article they give credence to the fraud. If they refuse to print they can be accused of libel. Dr Richard Horton, editor

of the Lancet, writes in his magazine that he has been threatened with libel actions twice in recent weeks. "Both instances concern potential wrongdoings. They have bit-ten back as aggressively as

they can." Last week the General Medical Council struck off John

cian and former registrar and secretary of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, because he was found to be faking data in a clinical trial. He was caught only because Pfizer, the drug company he was working for, employed a private agency to investigate

his work. The agency is run by Dr Frank Wells, a former medical director of the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry. He says the agency is permanently busy with work from drugs companies and GMC which have resulted in findings of serious professional misconduct.

Recent cases have highlighted the problem. In May Dr Peter Nixon, a consultant cardiologist at Charing Cross Hospital in London admitted in court that errors in scientific papers written by him appeared to be "more than an honest slip of the pen". He was suing a television company for libel and the three-year trial. which was abandoned after his admission, cost the Medical Defence Union £2 million Two years ago Dr Malcolm

sultant gynaecologist at St George's in London, was caught out after he claimed to have performed the first successful relocation of an ectopic pregnancy — an embryo de-veloping outside the womb. When doubts were raised, he could not produce a patient. In a desperate attempt to find a name he altered the records of a woman born in 1910.

Money — or prejudice — may be behind fakery. Wil-liam McBride, an Australian scientist famous for helping expose the thalidomide scandal, altered results after becoming wrongly convinced that all drugs taken in pregnancy were wrong.





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## Therapy that costs too much to use

THE allocation of additional funds for the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer is welcome. The £10 million will, however, in no way alleviate the problem caused by the increasing cost of cytotoxic drugs used in cancer

Measure of care: Cherie Booth and Baroness Jay yesterday announced support for breast cancer patients

assessment," he said. "This

includes a mammograph,

which is read at once, clinical

imaging and fine-needle aspi-

ration from the lump for the

cytology. It is 99.9 per cent

nothing is wrong but the quick

diagnosis means that the

patient can be reassured imm-

cancer within three hours,

compared with a wait of up to

six weeks using traditional screening methods. Clive Grif-

fiths, a consultant breast sur-

geon in Newcastle, said

women there could have can-

The patient is given a triple

therapy. Modern drugs used for chemotherapy are some of the most expensive in medicine. Even so, a review of pharmaper cent of the NHS drugs bill is spent on cytotoxic drugs for cancer patients. Five per cent of the drugs bill is spent on all drugs for cancer paon drugs for skin diseases.

Amazingly, the taxpayer spends much more on laxatives (£74 million a year) than on chemotherapy (£59 million). Recently there have been cases in which a patient's treatment for long-standing cancer has not been decided on medical grounds, but determined by the pa-tient's postal district.

Some local medical authorities have ordained that expensive, life-prolonging but not lifesaving, anti-cancer drugs are not the best way of spending scarce resources. One London health authority has banned seven expensive drugs, described by the Imperial Cancer Research Fund as drugs of a new golden age of cancer chemotherapy".

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Doctors accept that funds are not limitless. They do, however, resent being asked to conceal from their patients that there are new therapeutic preparations, such as Taxol for ovarian and breast cancer Taxotere, which is now usually used for advanced ovarian cancer, or Campto, which is proving helpful in treating cancer of the bowel that has failed to respond to other drugs. That problem will soon increase when other drugs now completing their clinical

trials become available. Peter Harper, consultant medical oncologist at Guy's Hospital, said: "Any medical service has to accept that there are limits to the available cash. These limits should not, however, be implemented by stealth with the doctor being expected to collude with the Treasury. The alternative approach, which would be acceptable, is that the limits that the NHS is prepared to spend on cancer therapy are spelt out clearly, and the nation, through Parliament, then agrees to them."

> DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD

## Aids drugs 'must not replace prevention'

AN EXTRA £500 million will have to be found to treat Aids patients over the next decade as new drugs enable them to live longer (Ian Murray writes). However, health authorities were urged yesterday not to make the false economy" of making cuts in prevention funding to meet the costs

of new treatments. That is now taking place in some parts of the UK, and being considered in others, as health authorities struggle to

Alcorn, editor of the Aids Reference Manual, said. Edward King, one author of the manual, said that some

homosexuals were less likely to practise safe sex as they felt the illness was curable: "This raises the alarming prospect that drug-resistant viruses could be transmitted." ☐ Aids Reference Manual.

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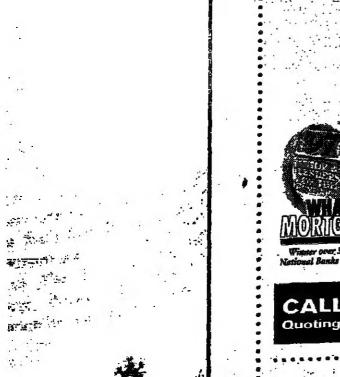
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## EU says British art houses must put up VAT

FROM CHARLES BREMNER

BRITAIN'S art market came under fresh pressure from the European Union yesterday with a warning from the Commission that it will take legal action against the Government unless it raises taxes on auction fees.

British auction houses are "enjoying an unauthorised ad-vantage" over their continen-tal rivals because they levy VAT at only 2.5 per cent on auctioneers' services on imported works of art, rather than the standard British VAT rate of 17.5 per cent, the Commission said.

The warning was condemned vesterday by London dealers Michael Tollemach, chairman of the Society of London Art Dealers, said: "Each little nibble away at the advantageous position of London drives more business away from the EU as a whole towards New York, Switzerland and other places."

The move is the latest in a series by the Commission to force Britain's traditionally unrestricted art market into line with the higher taxes on the Continent. Britzin agreed in 1994 to apply a 2.5 per cent VAT charge to antiques and art dating before 1973 imported from outside the EU. The level is to rise to 5 per cent in

London art houses say the levy is already deterring cus-tomers. Last year such imports fell from El billion to about £600 million.

The biggest worry of the London houses is an EU move to impose an e dra levy of 2 to 4 per cent as a loyalty to artists or their heirs if the artist's death\_vas less than 70 years ago. The so-called droit de suite, widespread on the Continent, is expected to become

EU law by a majority vote. The Commission has given the Government two months to change the law before taking it to the European Couri of Justice. A spokesman for the Government said it would mamine the Commission's request but noted that there were "sound arguments"

# Unhappiness drove out opera chief

Carol Midgley hears Genista McIntosh tell MPs of the

stress caused by trying to run a divided Covent Garden

GENISTA McINTOSH, who resigned after four months as chief executive of the Royal Opera House, spoke publicly for the first time yesterday about her unhappiness and the managerial confusion that caused her to leave.

Ms McIntosh, 50, described the organisation as "diffused and fragmented" and admitted that she had taken the job without realising the scale of its problems. She also conceded in evidence to a Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee that it was her distress rather than ill health - the reason officially given for her sudden departure in May that prompted her to go. But Ms McIntosh said that

she still had the highest regard for the opera house's staff and that it was her own decision to resign. She denied that she had been frozen out by a clique at the opera house, which has closed to be refurbished with a £78.5 million National Lottery grant. She said there had been a mismatch between herself and the organisation.

You can be made extremely welcome but still feel uncom-fortable," she said. "The ROH is quite a diffused and fragmented organisation managerially ... lines of communication can be both powerful and unclear." Gerald Kaufman, commit-

tee chairman, told Ms McIntosh she had "absolutely blown your cover story that you resigned through ill health". She replied: "I left because I was extremely unhappy in the job. There is no doubt that being extremely unhappy causes you to be very distressed and it also causes stress. Had I continued I might well have become ill."

Ms McIntosh, former executive director of the National Theatre, said: "What I perceived when I was there was a level of ownership which people feel about the ROH; it goes right from the most senior people all the way down to people who pay the smallest amounts of money. People feel

they own the opera house.
"I felt that opposing myself
to that degree of belief and
commitment in the institution would have been very difficult. It would have needed a degree of sympathy and certainty about my own position to have gone forward with it."

Mr Kaufman attacked what he described as the cliquey environment of the opera house. The taxpayer paid a great deal of subsidy to it each year, he said. "Is there not an argument for saying that this cosy feeling of propriety



Sir Jeremy yesterday:

should be broken open, so there is a new culture? It seems you were the most appropriate person to do it." Ms McIntosh replied: There is certainly a case for

The Earl of Gowrie, chairman of the Arts Council, said that Mary Allen, then his secretary-general, had been approached without his knowledge to take Ms McIntosh's place. He was "gobsmacked" when he was told only a few days before the formal

Her appointment to the post, for £90,000 to £100,000 a year, looked like a "stitch-up job" done on the "old boy and old girl network" - but that was not the case, he said.

Sir Jeremy Isaacs, the for-mer head of the opera house, told the committee there could be a "people's opera" only if more money was invested in it. "You cannot have the people's opera unless people are prepared to pay for it," he said, referring to the recent call by Chris Smith, the Culture, Media and Sport Secretary, for the opera house to offer cheaper seats and to lose its exclusive image.
The opera house receives

£15 million a year in subsidy but has an operating deficit of about £4.5 million. Sir Jeremy said that taxpayers were each paying 63p per year. "I do not believe it is an excessive price to pay." He denied that he was still being paid a salary despite having left at the end of the year. He had received a lump sum to pay him until the end of his contract in September because he had been asked



Genista McIntosh leaving the Commons after giving evidence yesterday

## Wuthering Heights forsakes Yorkshire moors

BY SIMON DE BRUXELLES

**DEVOTEES of Wuthering Heights** are irritated that a big-budget tele-vision version of Emily Bronte's novel is to be made in Somerset instead of the Yorkshire moors.

London Weekend Television has been unable to find a suitable location in Yorkshire and intends to make the drama on Exmoor. LWT is using a film location company in Bath to find an isolated "stern and

match Emily's description Wuthering Heights. The romantic novelist Jilly Coo-

per, who was brought up in York-shire, said: "I think this is very stupid. Yorkshire has the most wonderful rugged countryside. The film-makers should go back to Haworth where the Brontes lived."

The moors above Haworth Parsonage in west Yorkshire where Emily Bronte loved to walk were the inspiration for her only novel, which was published in 1847, the year to the hills of California, where production has not yet been cast. The Firth as Heathcliff, on hold to avoid before her death at the age of 30. Laurence Ollvier strode moodily as exterior landscape shots will almost a clash with LWT's version.

Yorkshire Water is to spend £20,000 to preserve the ruins of Top Withens, a moorland farm near Haworth which is believed to be a model for Wuthering Heights.
In the novel the house is the loth-

century home of a gentleman farmer, with thick walls to keep out the wind and "a quantity of grotesque carving" over the door. Locations for film versions have ranged from Haworth itself in a 1920 silent movie

Heathcliff in 1939. Dr Robert Barnard, chairman of the Bronte Society, says the film-makers could have found a site in Yorkshire without much trouble. There are any number of semi-derelict farms near

Haworth which they could have used. They are probably more worried about easy access for vehicles, but it seems a shame to me." LWT was unapologetic yesterday. A spokesman said: "Filming is not due to start until September and the

But we have not found suitable sites for Wuthering Heighs or for the Grange, Janother house in the novel and so the search has been extended south. We want it to look as authentic as possible but finding the ideal house is a matter of logistics and accessibility as well,"

and accessibility as well."

Meanwhile, the BBC has put its own production of Withering

London : siphons unfair share of arts cash

By DAMIAN WHITWORTH

LONDON devours so much of the cash available for the arts that four fifths of the population are not getting their fair share. The capital receives four times as much money for the arts as any other region of England because the Arts Council has failed to disperse money evenly according to a report published today. It also discloses that the National Lot-tery has worsened the dis-

parity.
The Cultural Trends report from the independent Policy Studies Institute shows that arts funding bodies spend the equivalent of £39.57 per per-son on projects in London, while only £7.90 and £9.51 per person goes towards projects in the South East and eastern

Sara Selwood, editor of Cultural Trends, said the study showed that the Arts Council which gives 45 per cent of all its money to London projects, had failed to fulfil one of its purposes. "When the Arts Council was created in 1946 it was given the task of decentralising and dispersing arts and culture in England. Today's research shows that the council's promise to increase arts provision in the regions has remained largely unfulfilled," she said.

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Jude Kelly, chief executive of the West Yorkshire Playhouse and a member of the Arts Council's drama board, said: There still seems to be this idea that people outside London, but particularly in the North of England, don't appreciate culture as much." She said that the arts establishment in London helps each other to get funding. "I'm in London two days a week and I see how easy it is to move from a meeting to the theatre to a dinner party and wrap up a year's business." The even distribution of

funding has not been helped by the National Lottery. Some £18.25 per capita in Arts Council lottery grams goes to London, compared with £2.29 to the eastern region and £1.80 to Yorkshire and Humberside.

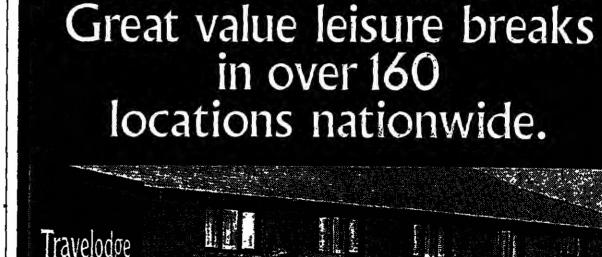
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BMW approves new

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#### writes Kevin Eason

BRITISH workers were given the go-ahead yesterday to build a successor to the Mini, the nation's most successful car. The decision will mean hundreds of new jobs as investment worth more than £500 million is poured into Rover's

Longbridge plant on the outskirts of Birmingham.

The 38-year-old model, which sparked a revolution in small car design, is long overdue for replacement. However, German execu-tives at BMW, which now owns Rover, were worried by union unrest and the strength of the pound on currency markets, and considered plans to build the car in Germany or in a new factory in low-cost Spain or Italy.

It has already decided that 1.4litre engines for the car will be built in South America in a joint venture with Chrysler of the United States. But a decision by unions this week to accept a three-year pay deal convinced. BMW to allow Longbridge to keep production of

its most revered car.

After a BMW board meeting in Munich, Walter Hasselkus, the



Rover Group chairman, said: There is no doubt that the acceptance by associates of the recently negotiated three-year pay deal, together with progress made with trade unions on changes to working practices, were significant factors influencing the decision."

Production will be more than 100,000 cars-a-year, five times current levels, when the car rolls off assembly lines, probably in 2000, BMW's decision was greeted with relief in Longbridge, which employs 15,000 workers and also makes the Rover 200, 400 and

MGF models. The pay deal, worth 3.5 per cent a year, is in return for increased flexibility, which will mean workers switching to different jobs and even different plants. Rover refused to say how many extra workers would be needed. The original Mini, launched at a

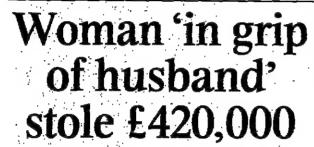
price of £496, was a classless icon of Sixties culture, driven by royalty and stars such as Mick Jagger and Peter Sellers, as well as ordinary motorists. More than five million have been produced. Its success was down to the genius of Sir Alec Issigonis, who wanted to package a

car in a box 10ft long. By turning the engine sideways and powering the front wheels, the Mini had a comparatively money passenger cabin. It also had style.

Launched with Austin and Morris badges - hoth companies were part of the British Motor Corpora-

The ear that started a revolution in design: the Longbridge production line in 1959, making the Austin Mini that became a Sixtles icon, and an original Issigonis sketch of the Mini layout

tion - the car captured the popula imagination, and established its own film legend with the car chase in The Italian Job. It has been updated with better crash protection and cleaner engines, but the look of its successor has still to be



claimed she was acting under the overbearing influence of her husband stole more than £420,000 from her employers to help him to finance an "extravagant" life in America.

Nola Morton, 46, who admitted embezzling the money over four years, had taken it under "threats and pressure" from her husband, from whom she is now estranged, a judge at Exeter Crown Court said yesterday. The judge was told that none of the £422,152 stolen by Mrs Morron has been recovered.

The money belonged to Centrax, an engineering firm in Newton Abbot. Devon where Morton began working October 1996 for being absent and within a month the fraud. which had cost the company between £4,000 and £5,000 a month came to light Lost interest on the money was put at £66,000.

William Hart, for Morton, said: "Her case is that she began to commit the offences and continued to do so under the influence of her then husband, and was particularinfluence. She did it

AN ACCOUNTS clerk who initially on the basis that it was a one-off episode, taking £7,000 but it escalated to a staggering degree.
There was the additional

lever that if she did not continue he would expose her to her employers and the she loved. It is difficult to understand the sort of grip he had on her but he knew how to exploit her weaknesses. She kept no record of what she was embezzling, she was genuinely shocked at the £'2 million figure. Her own best guess was £200,000.

'It became a monthly habit. The figures got larger and were paid to her husband who led the most extravagant life-America and is still out of jurisdiction. There is no real prospect of proceedings

Mr Hart said Morton, who had no previous convictions. had given Centrax help in its efforts to gain compensation for its losses, and was full of

Mrs Morton admitted 15 charges of false accounting and asked for 51 others to be taken into consideration. She was jailed for four years.

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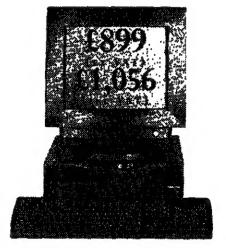
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on its way to join hundreds of thousands of other new vehicles cross Britain on August I, when traffic on the M5, near Bristol, came to a halt as firemen brought in a crane to lower the car to the road. Keu Bennett, a spokesman for

spectacular sight to see the car balanced on top of the lorries and it turned a few heads. "It was really very lucky — if the car had fallen off and hit another car, things could have got very nasty." One of the drivers needed hospital treatment in Bristol for minor injuries after the accident on the Avonmouth

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# Survey reveals sham of white wedding couples

ples who choose a white wedding are already living together, according to the first government statistics based on the addresses of brides and

The findings are confirma-tion of the Church's increas-ingly relaxed attitude towards couples who set up home before marrying. They also demonstrate the enduring ap-peal of a traditional, religious ceremony even among nonbelievers and those who attach

little importance to remaining chaste before marriage.
According to the figures, published by the Office for National Statistics, 41.3 per cent of couples according to the complete for the couple of the couples according to the couple of th cent of couples marrying in religious ceremonies already share a home. The figure for couples who are marrying for the first time is 37 per cent.

The findings are expected to reopen a sensitive debate among the clergy. Many traditionalists reacted in horror when the Church of England

Living together before marriage

is not the sin it was, Alexandra

Frean reports

published a report two years ago declaring that "living in. sin should no longer be condemned. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr George Carey, distanced himself from the report, which one leading Church member described as an "obituary" to the family.

Yesterday. however, spokesman for the General Synod said that a church wedding should be open to anyone, even those who simply wanted a "nice ceremony". He added: The thing is, once you have got them through the door to discuss their wedding, you can then start to talk to them about belief."

Clergymen are divided on the issue. The Rev John Binns. of Great St Mary's Church in Cambridge, said he was "not at all surprised or concerned by the figures in the latest report. "I support anything which helps people to live full married lives. If trying it out for a couple of years helps them get to know each other better, I would support that. I would much rather see a couple living together and then deciding not to get married, than to see them married too early and condemned to an unhappy life together or to

The Rev Tony Hickton, a member of the synod, was surprised by the figures.
"More than 40 per cent is very

condemn anyone, but I think that living together is very damaging for couples and for children. If people start living together thinking that they can ger out easily, it's likely to prove self-fulfilling. It will undermine their determination when things are diffi-

cult to work through. "While acting compassion-ately, the Church should stick to its guns and encourage people to marry, not live

together."
The Office for National Statistics report, which covers 1994, also shows the first decrease in the annual numbers of divorces since 1989 in England and Wales. There were just over 158,000 divorces, a decrease of 4.2 per cent on the 1993 figure, which at 165,000 was the highest

annual total recorded. There was also a decrease in the number of marriages, with just over 291,000 in 1994, a fall of 2.7 per cent on the previous year. The largest fall was for marriages between couples who had not married before with 182,000 in 1993.

The average age at mar-riage has continued to rise. In 1994, the average age of a bachelor at marriage was 28.5. compared with 28.2 in 1993. Spinsters married at 26.5 on average in 1994, compared with 26.2 the previous year. The average age for all bride-grooms was 32.7 and for all

The median length of marriages that ended in divorce in 1994 was 9.8 years, a figure that has remained virtually unchanged since 1988. The median ages of husbands and wives who divorced in 1994 were 37.6 and 34.9 respective-

## Britons find the English holiday hard to place

By HARVEY ELLIOTT, TRAVEL CORRESPONDENT

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THE British are choosing to British holidays are sold spend more of their holidays through travel agents," he in England: But many do not consider time spent on their native shores or enjoying the countryside to be a real hollday, according to tourism

The English Tourist Board blamed geographical ignorance and poor marketing by holiday firms and travel agents. In the eyes of many a three-day trip to France is seen as a genuine holiday while three weeks spent visiting friends and relatives in Devon is regarded as no more than a break," Tim Bartlett, the chief executive of the English Tour-

ist Board, said yes-terday. David Quarmby, chairman of the board, said there was a lack of knowledge about the geogra-phy of Britain. The level of ignorance about which comes first. Devon or Cornwall, and what happens north of a line from Bristol to

the Wash is quite

astonishing." he ing the board's annual report vesterday, he disclosed that a casual remark from his window-cleaner had given him an insight into why so many Britons did not consider taking a holiday at home. "He admitted he had never been to Devon or Cornwall and did not even know where they were. From an early age his family had simply taken him on a package holiday to Majorca or Spain and time spent here was not regarded as a holiday at all," Mr Quarmby

He is attempting to persuade sour operators to create more English package holidays and to encourage travel strongly. "Only 8 per cent of through travel agents," he said. "If people could walk in and choose from a brochure in the same way that they choose a package holiday on the Costas then maybe we could overcome the problem of time spent in England not being regarded as a holiday. We must dispel the myths about British tourism and ensure that staying in England is seen

as a genuine holiday." Research by the board found that holidays at home were perceived to be more expensive than foreign holidays, even though on average Britons spent nearly three

times as much per day on an overseas holiday as on Another common complaint was that it took too long to get to a resort, even though it takes considerably more time to go through an airport Despite the criticisms. amount spent by British tourists in England reached a he hapit of

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record £10.7 billion last year, up 7 per cent up on 1995. The board said that 50 million holidays — involving a stay of one night or more were taken in England by British residents. There was a 13 per cent rise in holidays

lasting at least eight nights. Forty per cent of holidays were taken at the seaside. The West Country maintained its position as the most popular holiday destination.

The board said there were signs that the strength of the pound was discouraging foreign visitors. The number of tourists from Europe was estimated to be down about 6. per cent on last year, although the number of American visitors has risen.

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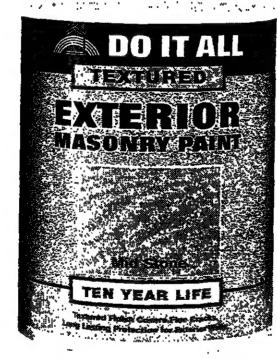
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on September 11. COMPOSITION

> THE parliament will be based in Edinburgh and will have 129 members. Those eligible to stand will be UK citizens. including peers, priests and ministers of religion, as well as citizens of the Commonwealth, Republic of Ireland and European Union who are resident in the UK.

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Scottish people will get if they vote "yes" in the referendum

Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSPs) must be over 21. They will initially be elected for a fixed term of four years. They can also be mem-bers of the UK Parliament, the European Parliament or a local council.

The Government wants selection panels to ensure that women, disabled people and members of ethnic minorities are well-represented, although no quotas will be laid down.

Of the 129 MSPs, 73 will be elected from the present Scottish constituencies with Orkney and Shetland, currently combined, each having a representitive. The remaining 56 members, known as additional members, will be selected from party lists drawn up from each of the eight European Parliament constituencies. There will be seven additional members from each constituency. An architectural competi-

tion will be run for schemes to the parliament. The cost is estimated to be between £10 million and 540 million and annual running costs will be £20 million to £30 million.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES

THE Parliament will have a Scottish cabinet called the Scottish Executive which will consist of a First Minister and and law officers. The executive will be accountable to the

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Paper. Scotland's Parliament, devolved from Westminster to outlines for the first time the

These include health; education; local government; housing; economic development; tourism; transport; the law, police and prisons; the environment; agriculture, fisheries and forestry; food standards; sport: the arts: and public records. All legislation relating to these areas will be made by a Scottish parliament.

The Scottish parliament will be able to call representitives of bodies which will remain in UK control, such as the BBC, the Post Office and the rail, gas and electricity regulators, to give evidence to its

#### LINITED KINGDOM

SCOTLAND will remain an integral part of the United Kingdom and the Queen will remain Head of State. She will appoint the First Minister of Scotland. Future governments will have the power to abolish the parliament but its future is likely to be secured if it has popular suppport. It will be able to debate independence but will not be able to make itself independent.

The new Scotland Act will specify the areas to remain under Westminster control, rather than those devolved to Scotland. The main policy areas to remain with Westminster include the constitution: foreign policy; defence and national security; border controls: economic policy: social security; transport safety; employment legislation; and common markets for UK

There will be a number of other areas, such as medical ethics, including abortion, equality legislation, the UK Senior Salaries Review Body, nuclear safety, safety of medi-cines and film classification, which will remain with Westminster.

The Scottish MPs at Westminster will continue to take part in all proceedings of the Parliamentary Boundary Commission Review of the

minster by 2007.

The Secretary of State for Scotland will remain but with a changed role. He or she will be responsible for promoting communication between the Scottish and Westminster parliaments and representing Scotland's interest in the policy areas not devolved to

When disputes arise beween Westminster and the Scottish parliament, the mat-Judical Committee of the Privy Council where it will be heard by at least five Law Lords.

#### FINANCE

SCOTLAND will continue to receive its share of UK public expenditure, known as the Scottish block grant, which is now about £14 billion. The block grant is reviewed each year in line with changes to public spending programmes.

Scottish financing will be based on the present arrange-ments with the new parliament determining Scottish spending policies. There will be additional funding from the EU and from local authority borrowing as at present. The Scottish parliament will

be able to undertake shortterm borrowing to match income with expenditure but will not be able to undertake long-term borrowing on its DWn Jecount

Assuming there will be a 'ves" vote to the second question in the referendum, the parliament will have the nower to vary income tax by up to 3p in the pound. A rise of lp now would raise £150 million and a rise of 3p would raise £450 million. The tax-raising powers will not apply to savings and dividend income.

The Scottish parliament will always be able to raise the equivalent of £450 million in today's money through tax even if Budget changes mean the structure of the tax system changes. The figure of £450 million will be index linked to

People liable to pay the tax will be those resident in the UK for income tax purposes



How it all began: the Act of Union being presented to Queen Anne in 1706

least half their time in Scotland or whose principal home is in Scotland. Establishing and collecting any new tax is likely to cost about £18 million. which will be met by the

There will be an obligation on the Scottish parliament to provide value for money and the Scottish Executive will be held accountable. The block grant to the parliament will be audited by the UK Comptrol ler and Auditor General.

will remain the responsibility

Government will study other responsible for financing local European member states with a strong tier of regional govemment, such as Spain and Germany, and will adapt TIMETABLE practices to incorporate the needs of Scotland. Scotland will be represented in negotia-A REFERENDUM will be

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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tions with Europe but will be

expected to toe the UK line and

THE Scottish parliament is not expected to take over the powers of local authorities but will set the framework within work. The parliament will be able to change the powers. boundaries and functions of

government expenditure, with power to alter or replace the

held on September 11. A simple majority of votes cast will be enough to implement the parliament. Legislation to establish the parliament will then be introduced by the end of 1997, with elections taking place in the first half of 1999. Each elector will cast two votes, one for a constituency his or her choice. The parliament will be set up by 2000.

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## This vigorous new body is the real McCoy

#### COMMENTARY

THE "bravehearts" have won the argument. This is to with real power - the ability to change the way Scotland is governed, without reference to Westminster, across a range of social and eco-

nomic policies. in the background, how-ever, Her Majesty's Treasury will continue to hold the purse strings. The Scottish Secretary, Donald Dewar, has had to make at least one major concession which will hold this lusty new body on a tight fiscal rein. Not only will it be funded by the present block grant formula, the question of whether it is giving value for money will e decided in London.

One of the more significant passages in the White Paper says: "In common with other central government expenditure the grant to the Scottish Parliament will fall to be audited by the UK Comptroller and Auditor General." Interestingly. that condition does not appear in the Welsh White Paper, where the Welsh rather than the UK auditor is given responsibility for scrutinising expenditure.

Elsewhere, however, there is no comparison between the two documents. One is for a regional assembly, the other is for a proper parliament. Its legislative remit runs across all the main spending areas. By choosing to define the powers to be retained by Westminster then devolving what remains. Mr Dewar has avoided the drawbacks of the 1978 Act and produced a coherent argument rather than a set of defensive measures.

The test of this lies in the way he sees the future role of Scottish Secretary. In Wales, the Secretary of State is to become an increasingly important figure. In Scotland, the office will wither on the bough. As the Scottish Executive takes up its responsibilities, he will be reduced to . on matters of mutual

interest", and "representing

Scottish interests in reserved

areas". With no ability to veto Bills, or to oppose ministerial appointments. Scotland's "voice in the Cabinet" will sound increasingly strangulated,

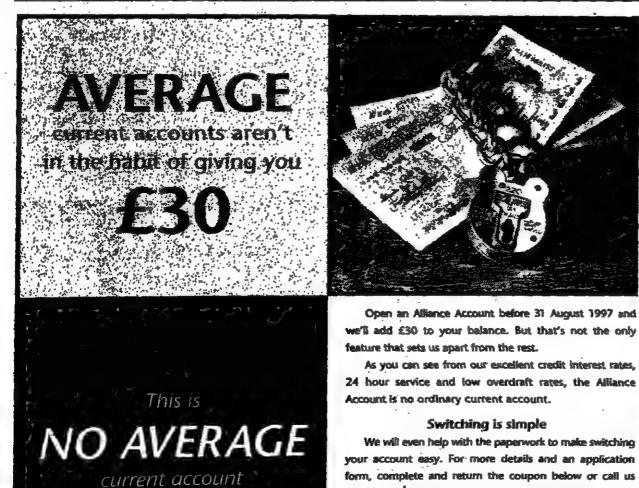
At the same time the taxvarying powers, so hugely vilified by the Tories, have been, if anything, widened, By calculating the amount to be raised from a 3p increase on the basic rate of income tax at £450 million, then setting this as a ceiling, the White Paper appears to limit it. However, by index linking the sum to maintain its real value, it gives the parliament the ability to raise the extra revenue through other taxes

There is, of course, no lack of pitfalls, including the famous West Lothian Question. An indication that the number of Scottish MPs at Westminster may be reduced when the Boundary Commission reports in 2007 is not an answer. English MPs will still be unable to debate Scottish issues. More to the point, Scottish MPs at Westminster will find their remit on Scottish matters hugely reduced. It is, therefore, interesting to note that the possibility of dual membership of the two parliaments has not been ruled out.

The architect of the West Lothian Question. Tam Dalyell, has described the White Paper as "a motorway Scottish state." I am not sure he is right. The Scottish National Party will derive little comfort from this document. Although it does not forbid a Scottish parliament to introduce a referendum on independence, it has ensured that the Commons could always block it.

Sovereignty remains with Westminster. But given the amount that has been conceded to Scotland, that will not prevent most Scottish voters from seeing these proposals as the best offer they have had since their last parliament was consigned to

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## War criminals' names match Swiss accounts

NAZI-hunters yesterday claimed that several names on the list of Swiss bank accounts holding assets of Holocaust victims matched details of German war criminals.

The Simon Wiesenthal Centre alerted the Swiss Bankers' Association after crossreferencing six of the 1,872 names against its files on 334 Nazi officials. One was said to be an aide to Adolf Eichmann, and another the wife of the Gestapo chief Ernst Kalten-

The World Jewish Congress was also alarmed to see the name Dr Hans Wendland, which matches that of a known dealer in looted Nazi art who fenced stolen Old Master and Impressionist paintings worth hundreds of millions of dollars.

The scarity details supplied by the banks make it impossible to identify individuals, and many of the spellings are different. However, Jewish groups yesterday demanded the Swiss verify whether the accounts, published in *The Times* on Wednesday, belonged to Nazis or their families. Efraim Zuroff, director of the Sinum Wiesenthal Centre office in Jerusalem, said: "We want the money seized and we want verification from the

Swiss. We do not want the assets going to these Nazis, we do not want them to benefit from their crimes." The Swiss Bankers' Associ-

ation last night said it knew of the potential Nazi accounts earlier this year. A spokesman said: They are possible matches, although the spellings are slightly different in some cases. We are in contact with the federal authorities and we are in the process of elaborating how to

since 1945. Kalman Sultanik, vice-president of the World Jewish

proceed with these claims."

He confirmed that no one had

touched any of the accounts

#### Brazilians trace stolen wealth

Rio de Janeiro: A commission set up to investigate the transfer of stolen Jewish gold and assets to Brazil after the Second World War announced yesterday that it had found bank accounts containing \$20 million (EL2 million). opened by fugitive Nazis (Gabriella Gamini writes). The money will be given to



Hoffmann, left, a convicted profiteer and Jäger, an SS security chief. Photographs: Wiener Library

Council, said: "Documents in the US National Archives clearly show that looted assets and not just Holocaust victims' accounts were placed in Swiss financial institutions to take advantage of Swiss bank secrecy laws.

The six names are: ☐ Willi Bauer, from Thuringen. Germany: Willy Bauer was an alias of Anton Burger, an aide to Eichmann and deputy commander of Theresienstadt concentration camp in Czechoslovakia. Burger. an Austrian-born SS captain who helped to deport 10,000 Greek Jews to death camps, is thought to have died at 79 in 1992 in Germany.

☐ Eder, Elise,

Elisabeth Eder was the wife of Ernst Kaltenbrunner, an Austrian who succeeded Reinhard Heydrich as head of the Gestapo and Reich security. He commanded the concentration camp system and administrative apparatus for the "Final Solution". He was hanged at Nuremberg.

□ Eser, Hermann, Munich: Hermann Esser, one of Hitler's earliest associates and propagandists became Vice-

esident of the Reichstag. He died, aged 80, in 1981.

Schmitz, H. Munich: Hermann Schmitz was Chairman of the Board of Directors of iG Farben, manufacturer of Zyklon B gas used in the death camps. He is also believed to have been a director of the Basie-based Bank of International Settlement (BIS), a key

channel for Nazi gold. ☐ Hofmann. Heinrich Erust: Hoffmann was Hitler's court photographer and confidant who introduced the Führer to Eva Braun. His photographic collection made him wealthy but he was found guilty at Nuremberg of profi-teering, jailed and his fortune was confiscated. He died in Munich in 1957.

☐ Jäger, Karl: Swiss-born Jager, was chief of the SS's Lithuanian security division, responsible for murdering iews. He used a faise name but was arrested in 1959. He committed suicide in his cell.



Katerina Yannakopoulou has been sought by police since Tuesday's shooting.

## Getaway car found in hunt for Greek prelate's killer

FROM JOHN CARR IN ATHENS

ATHENS police discovered yesterday the getaway car used by the woman sought after the killing of the Very Rev Archimandrite Anthimor Eleftherinder while he was on holiday here from London this week

The car, a blue Suzuki Alto belonging to the suspect's brother-in-law, was found abandoned near Kallithea cemetery hours before the funeral of the 60-year-old prelate who had been shot on Tuesday morning outside the priest's house in Nea Smirni. near Athens. Katerina Yannakopoulou, 42, was seen driving off in the Suzuki after

the shooting. A search of Mrs Yannakopoulou's flat re-vealed a handwritten note over Father Anthimos's signature bequeathing her the equivalent of £41,000 from the proceeds of the sale of his Athens flat in the event of his death. The note indicated he owed ber this sum for wooden icons.

Relatives of Mrs Yannakonoulou have been unable to throw any light on what the Greek media report rather liberally to have been a onesided romantic obsession with the prelate. Orthodox church officials in Britain, however, said the victim had

been under "intense and constant" pressure from an unnamed woman. Father Antiimos had been serving at St Nicholas's Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Shepherds Bush, west London, for three years. He was transferred after being removed from an Athens diocese for reasons which remain obscure.

Neighbours in the suburb of Kallithea described Mrs Yannakopoulou as "an eccentric" who dressed and behaved strangely. She was wearing black leather — odd attire at the height of a Greek

#### WORLD SUMMARY

## Peacekeeper hurt in grenade attack

Sarajevo: A Dutch soldier was wounded by a grenade and a United Nations police vehicle destroyed by anti-tank missiles in two separate attacks in Serb-run parts of Bosnia, Nato

sources said yesterday.

The Dutch soldier, whose condition is "stable", was helping to winch an armoured vehicle out of a ditch near the nown of Kotor Varos when a grenade was thrown at his unit "by a couple of drunken civilians". Two men were captured, one of them by police. The same night, a UN International Police Task Force vehicle parked in the eastern town of Bratunac was destroyed by anti-tank missiles. Americans sleeping in a house near by heard two explosions. There were no casualties. (AFP)

#### Krenz 'regrets' Wall deaths

Berlin: Egon Krenz. East Germany's last communist chief, who is on trial for the Cold War killings of people trying to flee to the West, broke his silence to express regret, but said he was not a killer. In his first testimony in more than 18 months in court, Herr Krenz, 60, blamed the "confrontation of the superpowers" for the deaths at the Berlin Wall. He said the East German leadership "was powerless to change this" and told how the Soviet Union tightly controlled East Germany. Herr Krenz had previously refused to testify because he considered the trial illegal. He said he changed his mind because the court had been told "so many falsehoods". (AP)

#### Eta march to go ahead

Bilhao: The government of Spain's Basque region has granted the Eta guerrilla group's political wing. Herri Batasuna, permission to hold a march in San Sebastian on Sunday, despite fears of violence. The rally is in response to last week's huge anti-Eta marches. "Eta assumes ... the consequences of the conflict, as crude and painful as they may be," the group said. A march planned for last Saturday was banned over concerns about a backlash after Eta's murder of Miguel Angel Blanco, a local councillor. (Reuter)

#### Albania curfew lifted

Tirana: Albania lifted a state of emergency and curiew that has been in force since March when armed protests broke out after the collapse of pyramid investment schemes. Parliament, meanwhile, elected Rexhep Mejdani, 52, the Socialist Party secretary-general and a former professor of physics, as President to replace Sali Berisha, who resigned a day earlier after five years in power. (Reuter)

#### Magic suit priced at \$30m

Los Angeles David Copperfield, p right, the Las Vegas magician, is suing a French magazine for alleging that his long-standing relationship with the model Claudia Schiffer was a hollow sham designed to boost his German audiences (Giles Whittell writes). Bestknown for variations on the theme of pulling rabbits out of hats, Mr Copperfield is hoping to extract \$30 million (£)7.8 million) from Paris Match over its nine-page spread.



#### Lions kill pair near border

Johannesburg: Lions have eaten a Mozambican man and woman who tried to eace, South Africa through the Kruger National Park, rangell said. Torn and bloody clothes were bound along with human bones: A third person escaped by climbing a tree, and the fate of a fourth is unknown. (Reuter)

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## EU specialist appointed Bonn envoy

BY MICHAEL BINYON

PAUL LEVER, the Foreign Office director for European Union affairs, is to be Britain's next Ambassador to Bonn. The Government also officially confirmed that Christopher Meyer, the current Ambassador, will become Ambassador to Washington.

Office. His appointment will go a long way to appeasing Germany, where the swift removal of Mr Meyer after less than a year in Bonn was seen as a clear indication that Britain still gave political priority to America over Germany. Mr Lever, 53, will take up his post at the end

Mr Lever, a high-flyer, has held almost all EU and economic affairs sections of the the senior political posts in the Foreign Office. In the early 1980s he was Foreign Office. In the early 1980s he was seconded to the European Commission.

He had also served at Nato. Mr Meyer, 53, arrived in Bonn only in March. He was John Major's former spokesman until 1996. Mr Meyer was the Prime Minister's personal choice for the Washington job after Tony Blair was of the year. He presently heads both the impressed with his performance.

## **East Germans** face chaos as river levels rise

BY DEBORAH COLLCUTT

PEOPLE in eastern Germany who are suffering the worst floods in Central Europe this century were braced for further chaos last night as defences holding back the River Oder threatened to burst, adding to the destruction. After the collapse in two

places yesterday of the 100-mile Oder dyke, water has raged north and south of Frankfurt an der Oder, the largest town on the German-Polish border. By yesterday afternoon, low-lying villages and surrounding hamlets in a 30-mile radius of Frankurt were flooded, residents and livestock having already left. One area in danger is Oderbruch, home to 19,000

people, where the rivers Oder and Neisse meet and swirling currents are battering dykes and makeshift defences. The Oder's burst dykes

gave way despite being sup-ported by millions of sandbags, now sodden after being in place for nearty a week. Authorities moved 2,300 people out of Brandenburg yesterday and it is unlikely that they will be allowed to return before the weekend, by which time meteorologists predict 15,000 acres of land could be under water.

Many people in the area refused to leave for fear of homes being looted and had to be removed forcibly by police. Manfred Stolpe, the state premier, has appealed for homeowners and volunteers to back the army and firefighters in their battle against "a flood disaster of

unprecedented proportions". But the interior ministry in Potsdam was quick to deter additional helpers from turning up, having enough problems co-ordinating a 14,000-

The Defence Ministry yes terday sent a further 1,000 soldiers, bringing the total on duty to 8,300 — its biggest non-military manoeuvre since flooding in Hamburg in 1962 brigade, police, border police, and technical helpers. Weeks of rain have raised

the Oder to record levels but the dyke on the German side has withstood enormous pressure, despite a few breaches. The flooding has cost 128 lives in Poland and the Czech Republic and devastated large areas of farm land and countless towns and villages in both countries. At midday yesterday, Czechs held a minute's silence to commemorate

victims of the disaster. Sirens

and church bells rang out

throughout the country as

cars paused and people stopped work. The cost is being calculated in hundreds of millions of pounds - and the bill is rising. The European Commission yesterday increased its offer of aid to Polish and Czech victims to 25 million Ecus (£1.6 million). Eastern

Germany is not eligible. Although yesterday's expected resurgence came to little, water levels rose slightly. Weather remained fine for a third day but heavy rain is forecast for this week

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## Disillusioned France to sound the retreat from troubled Africa

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN PARIS

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French military bases at Bangui, the republic's capital, and Bouar in

Central African Republic base has been a springboard for dozens of FRANCE will pull its troops out of French military interventions over reduce its military presence across
Africa, according to news reports

drawals are seen as a sign that the
French philosophy of direct military involvement in Africa is wan-

ing rapidly.
The Central African Republic the interior will be closed. Libéra- has been convulsed by a series of tion newspaper reported. The attempted course and army rebel-number of troops stationed in lions over the past year, and rebel-Djibouti, Chad, Senegal and Ga- army units now control parts of the

north and east of the country. The planned closure of the two bases also reflects French distillusionment with the regime of President Patasse, who was elected in 1993. Alain Richard, the French Defence Minister, is expected to inform President Patasse of the planned withdrawal during a visit

to Africa next week. No timetable has been set for what Liberation called "the retreat from Bangui". but sources at the French Defence Ministry say soldiers are likely to

Lionel Jospin, the Prime Minister, has indicated that the Government imends to launch a process of disengagement from Africa by "reorganising" France's military presence. So far M Jospin has provided no details other than a promise to cut defence spending by

FFr2 billion (£193 million) this year. In the post-colonial era France has consistently used its military muscle to prop up African regimes in order to maintain French politformer colonies. Nowhere was this truer than in Bangui where France backed the odious dictatorship of "Emperor" Jean-Bedel Bokassa for 13 years until he was ousted in a Paris-backed coup.

Diplomatic sources in Paris say that for some years France has been edging towards a more "realistic" Africa policy, but the momentum for disengagement has been accelerated by three principal factors: the increasing expense of

maintaining French forces across Africa, the fall of President Mobutu in the former Zaire and the death earlier this year of Jacques Foccart. the veteran presidential adviser and the prime architect of France's interventionist approach to Africa.

Djihouti, France's largest African military base, is expected to have troop levels cut from 3,250 to 2.800 men, according to Liberation. One third of the 840 troops in Chad will be sent home, the Senegal base will lose 200 of its 1,300 men and

the garrison at Gabon will also be reduced - to about 550 soldiers. ☐ Youth plan axed: A muchcriticised plan to replace French national service with a compulsory five-day period during which young people would have been lectured on military life and assessed for a career in the forces was scrapped yesterday. Instead, it is proposed, youths of both sexes should be required to attend a day before their 18th birthday.

# ANC members killed in wake of by-election

FIVE people, including two a similar reputation, and earli-recently elected African Nat- er this year was involved in a ional Congress (ANC) town councillors; have been shot dead in South Africa's KwaZulu-Natal province.

The bodies were found by police near Richmond in the centre of the province, where a by-election was held on Sunday. They had been shot in the head. Andrew Ragavaloo, the ANC mayor, told a local radio station that the killings had been execution-style.

The ANC has accused the police of complicity in the murders. The Government, which has flooded the area with police and troops, has also tried to throw blame for the murders on to the security forces. Even so, the massacre seems more likely to have stemmed from the ANC camp.

The ANC historically dominated the Richmond area under Harry Gwala, a notorious warlord and self-proclaimed Stalinist who was frank about his need to kill local enemies and rivais. By the time of his death last year from natural causes, he had been suspended from membership of the Communist Party on charges of attempting to murder ANC rivals.

His successor, Siliso
Nkabinde, quickly developed

er this year was involved in a shootout.

The ANC expelled him several months ago, claiming it had evidence that he acted as a police spy under the apartheid regime. Since then the area has been bitterly divided between ANC loyalists and Mr Nkabinde's breakaway group. Considerable mystery sur-

rounds the ANC's motives in expelling Mr Nkabinde, who was well entrenched as Richmond's first ANC mayor as well as a member of the provincial legislature. It is well known that a large number of top-ranking ANC activists, including several members of the current Cabinet, acted as security police agents. But the party has gone to great lengths to suppress information relating to such cases and has made a singular

Mr Nkabinde, who denies the allegations, has been expelled from his public offices by the ANC, has suffered a nervous collapse, and has now linked up with a new political movement launched by Bantu Holomisa, a highranking defector from the ANC, and Roelof Mever, a disgruntled National Party

example of him.

To show solidarity with Mr Nkabinde, five rebel ANC councillors at Richmond resigned. Another who refused to do so was assassinated, and by-elections to fill the vacant seats were riven by such fear and intimidation that the ANC had difficulty mustering enough candidates to oppose Mr Nkabinde's. Richmond is a no-go area for Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's

field candidates. The ANC won the byelections comfortably, but the immediate execution of two of the councillors, plus family members, has emphasised the difficulties of introducing electoral politics.

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which accordingly did not

Mr Nkabinde has denied involvement in the killings, though Mr Meyer and Mr Holomisa are clearly embarrassed, and have denounced them. Interestingly, the ANC has not pointed the finger at Mr Nkabinde.

Dumisane Makhaye, the local ANC spokesman, blames the murders on a sinister apartheid regime "third force" that still controls the police and security forces. Most observers hint at local feuds and Boss-dominated rackets within the ANC.



The ER cast, who won most nominations. Clockwise from bottom right: George Clooney, Anthony Edwards, Eriq LaSalle, Noah Wyle and Sherry Stringfield

## **British actors** join 'ER' in race for TV awards

FROM GILES WHITTELL IN LOS ANGELES

THREE top British actors and a frenzied American casualty department emerged as favourites of the US television industry as this year's Emmy nominations were announced vesterday with ER, starring George Clooney, at the head of

Helen Mirren, Michael Caine and Dame Diana Rigg were nominated for roles in Prime Suspect 5. Mandela and De Klerk and Rebecca respectively, but ER led the overall nominations table for the third year in a row, shortlisted in 22 categories.

Other American series popular in Britain that won multiple nominations include The X-Files, with 12, NYPD Blue (11). Frasier (9) and Seinfeld (9).

Friends, the modish sitcom featuring six bright young things in neighbouring New York flats, scored badly despite solid ratings and a flurry of leading film roles for cast members such as Jennifer Aniston. Its only nomination went to Lisa Kudrow in the Best Supporting Actress category.

Anthony Edwards, who plays one of ER's two busiest doctors, was nominated as Best Actor in a drama. Other contenders include David Duchovny of The X-Files and Dennis Franz and Jimmy Smits of NYPD Blue.

The contenders for Best Actress in a drama series include Gillian Anderson of The X-Files and Juliana Margulies, who plays a strong-willed nurse in ER. Ellen DeGeneres, whose coming out as a lesbian on screen and in real life filled acres of American newsprint earlier this year, was nominated as Best Actress in a comedy

series for her work in Ellen. Mirren, the classically trained British actress, has become a regular favourite of the American Academy of Television Arts and Sciences in the mini-series category for her recurring Prime Suspect role as a hard-bitten detective.

Caine was nominated for a supporting role as the former South African President F.W. de Klerk in an Americanfunded mini-series about the last days of apartheid. Nelson Mandela was played by Sidney Poitier, who also won a nomination. The winners will be announced on September 14 in Pasadena, California. ■ New York: The Walt Disney Company received a

dressing-down from a conservative women's group over the length of the skirt worn by Pocuhontas, the animated American Indian girl featured last year in the film of the same name (Tunku Varadaraign writes). The Concerned Women for America censured the company for the "shortness" of her skirt. It said: What message are they sending our little girls?"

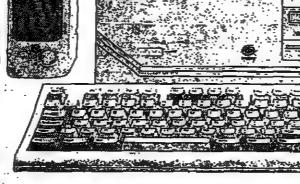
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## 'Monument of shame' to mark US execution

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

preparing to fly the body of Joseph O'Dell from America to Sicily yesterday after a lastminute intervention by the Pope and the Rome Government failed to halt his execution on Virginia's death row.

O'Dell, convicted of the murder of Helen Schartner. 44, a secretary from Virginia Beach who was abducted, beaten, sodomised and strangled in 1985, maintained his innocence to the last. He refused a final meal.

His case, one of the most contentious in the state's history, caused a sensation in Italy where the Vatican, the Prime Minister and senior parliamentarians, all called for mercy. O'Dell, 55, had been made an honorary citizen of Palermo, where the local authorities have said he will be buried in a monument bearing the name of George Allen, the Virginia Governor who ignored all pleas for clemency.

in the moments before receiving a lethal cocktail of drugs at the Greensville Correctional Centre at Jarrett at 2.10am British time yesterday. O'Dell directed a final terse statement at Mr Allen. "Governor Allen, you're kill-

ing an innocent man." said O'Dell before addressing his victim's son. "Eddie," he said, "I'm sorry your mother is dead, but I didn't kill her ... Some day you'll find that out."

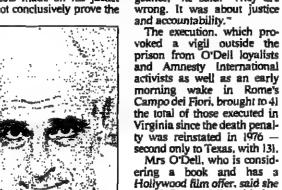
His closing words were reserved for Lori Urs, 41, the law student he married in a short prison ceremony hours

before the execution and who spent four years in a tireless campaign for the sentence to be commuted. "To my wife, Lori, I love you for all eternity. I love you. That's it," he said.

His wife did not attend the execution, but O'Dell was accompanied by his spiritual adviser. Sister Helen Prejean. a leading death penalty abolitionist and author of Dead Man Walking, the best-selling book made into a film.

"Christ is with you, Christ is always with you," she said, placing her hands over O'Dell's chest.

The Supreme Court rejected a last appeal by defence law-yers for a new set of DNA tests in the case. Supporters of O'Dell argued for years that the tests made on his jacket did not conclusively prove the



clothing contained Schartner's

blood - a key factor in his

conviction. But Mr Allen, in a

statement released shortly be-

fore the execution, said he had

reviewed all the evidence and

found no legitimate reason for

He said O'Dell was at the

same bar as his victim and

had appeared at a local shop two hours later with blood on

various parts of his body and clothing. O'Dell had lied to his girlfriend about the origin of

the blood, Wounds on Schartner's head were consis-

tent with the weight and shape

of a gun owned by O'Dell, said

the Commonwealth of Virgin-

ia has taken is about ven-geance," he said. "They are

"Some will say the action

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Mr Allen.

O'Dell: "I'm sorry, but I didn't kill her"



Death penalty opponents at a candiclit vigil outside the Greensville Correctional Centre in Virginia, protest against O'Dell's execution

## Italy mourns 'innocent' adopted son

IN HOME

JOSEPH O'DELL met his death accompanied by an unprecedented mobilisation of public opinion in Italy, where prayer meetings and protest railies were held as his execution approached.

In Palermo, where Leoluca Orlando, the Mayor, had awarded him honorary citizenship, flags flew at halfwould fly to Sicily with her husband's body. "Joseph mast yesterday. Signor Orlando was one of many Italian leaders, including President would be a monument in the city of Palermo and a complete Scalfaro and Romano Prodi, the Prime Minister, who lent embarrassment to the state of Virginia," she said, "And Govsupport to a campaign to ernor Allen's name will be on secure a reprieve for the man

"The Palermo citizen Joseph O'Dell has been killed as an innocent man in a barbarous punishment unworthy of a civilised country," Signor Orlando said. "I feel such pain and rage and I will do everything I can so that O'Dell's last wish — to be buried in Palermo - can be

The Mayor had travelled to Virginia to intercede in person with George Allen, the State Governor.

O'Dell's execution received extensive and emotional coverage in the Italian press, with newspapers leading front pages with the news that he had been put to

was aroused by press reports that new DNA tests would prove O'Dell not guilty. The perception that an innocent man was being denied justice turned him from just another death-row inmate into a

An opinion poll published on the eve of the execution howed that 94.5 per cent of Italians were aware of O'Dell's case. Of those questioned, 62.8 per cent disapproved of the execution. Italian distaste for the death

penalty is partly the result of the strong influence of the Roman Catholic Church. The Pope wrote to Governor Allen and President Clinton in De-

President Scalfaro, a staunch Catholic, chose to raise the question of the abolition of the death penalty on a visit to Saudi Arabia earlier this week. His appeal Politicians were quick to to King Fahd appeared not to have much effect, since a

after his departure.
At the United Nations, Italy, has played a leading role in the campaign for the total abolition of the death penalty. and the Italian parliament is taking steps to remove its last traces from Italy's wartime code of military justice.

convict was executed the day

marked the eve of O'Dell's execution with live coverage of a vigil in Rome's Campo dei Fiori. Opponents of the death penalty gathered there in the shadow of a statue of where Giordano Bruno, a heretical theologian who was burnt at the stake in 1600.

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express their revulsion yesterday, and Alfonso Pecoraro Scanio a Green Party deputy. provided would-be holidaymakers with a list of the 12 American states that have abolished the death penalty which, he said, Italians would do well to reward with trade and tourism. "It's better to holiday in Boston than Chicago, and to choose Hawaii over Florida."

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## Supreme Court's champion of liberal causes dies aged 91

FROM BRUNWEN MADDON

WILLIAM BRENNAN, a former US Supreme Court Justice and leading liberal who was a figurehead of the drive to extend individual rights, died yesterday aged 91.

Brennan, a charismatic figure in from the court in 1990 after 34 across the country yesterday paid years. During his tenure, which tribute to Brennan's role as the

spanned eight presidents, he was the author of a long list of landmark rulings on free speech, freedom of the press, abortion, and the banning of prayers from public schools. In the history of America's highest court, only the late William Douglas beat Brennan's record of 1,200 opinions.

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architect of the individual rights movement which characterised key Supreme Court decisions throughout the 1960s and 1970s. The outstanding justice of our century." John Gibbons, a leading law professor at Seton Hall, called him.

Referring to the 1960s court headed by Chief Justice Earl War-University law professor, said: "People call it the Warren court,

but in many ways it was the Brennan court."

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in marked contrast to the current conservative tone of US politics and the judiciary, Brennan is remembered as one of the last of the great liberais. He opposed the death penalty under all circumstances, and caused particular controversy

consistent supporter of the rights of prisoners and other forgotten groups and a fervent supporter of affirmative action to compensate racial minorities and women for

In a 1987 speech, he robustly defended modern interpretations of bourhood schools — a flashpoint in china doll that has to be protected

layer of cotton wool. It is a tough old soldier that's collected quite a few respectable dents in the line of

Born in Newark, New Jersey, on April 25, 1906, he was the second eldest of eight children of an Irish from poor areas to affluent neighthe thing the old parchment is not is a labour leader and the City Conmissioner of public safety.



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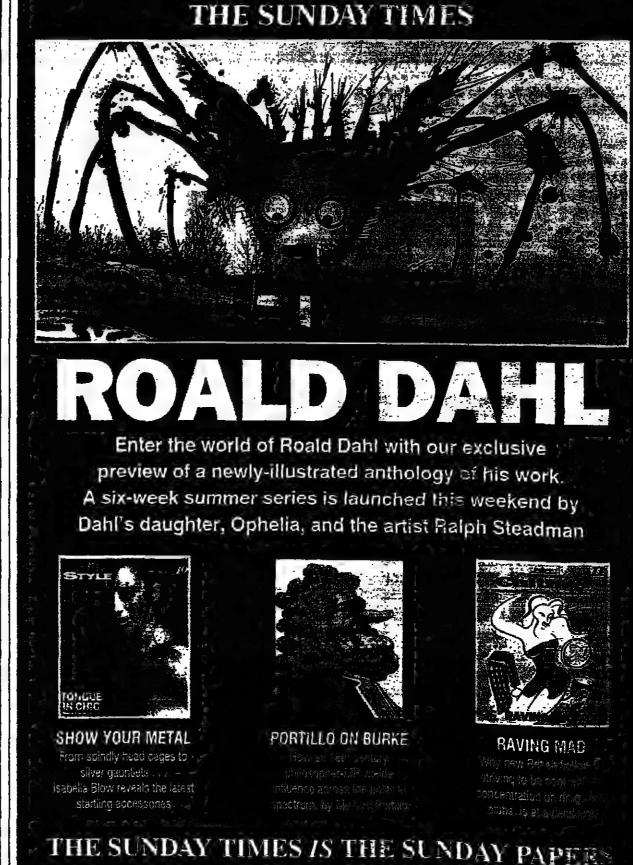
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# Bloody trail of the great pretender

Tom Rhodes uncovers the dark side of a flamboyant killer who craved attention

IN LIFE, as in death, Andrew Cunanan, 27, had remained an enigma, at once a party animal with kinky tastes and a desperate killer capable of nonchalantly placing a gun to the back of Gianni Versace's head before delivering a Ma-

fia-style coup de grâce. He was a great pretender who would brag about his breeding, his education and employment and yet he could live unnoticed in communities, barely speaking to anyone other than his victims.

It will never be known whether, as many suspect, he had started his mission after hearing he had contracted HIV, or whether the first killings were just a preamble for the stalking and final murder of Versace, whose designer underwear he regularly wore and who may have met him at the San Francisco Opera in 1990.

He was said to have been obsessed by the Italian design-

larly, and probably viewed his death as the most satisfying end to his own life.

An appetite for attention had driven him to the nexus where Hollywood and high fashion meet to Versace, the openly homosexual gay prince of South Beach.

Friends in San Diego re-membered the claims that he was the scion of a Filipino plantation owner when in fact his father was an out-of-work stockbroker. When he moved to Miami, perhaps as much as two months before murdering Versace, he had stayed in a \$36 (E21) a night room at the Normandy Plaza Hotel in the far-from-chic northern beach.

But at night he would cruise the trendy gay bars of South Beach, returning to the community that he knew best. His public manner was fun-loving and generous. In private, he would pursue the dark fantasies of a sadomasochistic culture involving leather straps











An FBI handout shows the various guises adopted by Andrew Cunanan, who killed in Minnesota, Chicago, New Jersey and Miami

The attention craved by his lighter side appears to have been matched by the killing that sated the darkest depths

He had flaunted his extrovert traits ever since appearing in a red leather jumpsuit at a high school dance in La Jolla, California, where he was said to be an exceptional student. But police who pursued him from Minnesota to Chicago and finally Miami swiftly found evidence of the other Cunanan: the S&M videos under beds, the transvestite wardrobe and leather thongs. As a teenager, his friends claimed, he had been a

grown-up his tastes developed

Cunanan's mother claims her son had read the Bible by the time he was six, but the most powerful inspiration appears to have been his father. Modesto, a former Navy man who as a stockbroker was accused of defrauding his clients and left his wife and children in penury in 1986. The son had followed his

father to the Philippines at 19 only to return soon afterlor in which he lived. When Cunanan emerged on

the gay scene in San Francisco and San Diego in the late 1980s, he did not go by his

as Andrew de Silva, a Hollywood chief executive with a mansion on the Riviera. Sometimes he would introduce him-Lieutenant-Commander Cummings, a Yale-educated importer of antiques who wore blazers and

smoked Cuban cigars. He would seduce older men, flattering them with his knowledge of the arts and offering them companionship rather than his sexual services. In turn they would bestow lavish gifts of jewellery and even cars

The lifestyle had ended last year when the money dried up. Cunanan was tired and

craving and fear increased given name, but styled himself. despondent when he told col-Cunanan fled to Chicago leagues in San Diego he had found the perfect relationship where, trawling through the gay bars of the North Side, he in Minnesota. The man in discovered Lee Miglin, 72, a question was David Madson, wealthy developer. Miglin was later found in his garage, an architect who collected Cunanan at the airport in his head wrapped in masking Minneapolis. Two nights later tape and his body riddled with Cunanan invited Jeffrey Trail, shallow wounds from a gardening tool.

After shaving and eating half a ham sandwich, he drove mutual friend, to dinner. Two days afterwards, police discov-

ered Trail's body savagely beaten with a claw hammer east in Miglin's Lexus, abandoning the car at a lonely Civil and wrapped in a carpet. When Madson and Cunanan War cemetery in New Jersey. The caretaker, William Reese, drove four days later to a lake was swiftly dispatched and his north of the city, the killer used Trail's 40 calibre pistol red Chevrolet stolen for the to shoot the architect in the next leg- of the journey to

police say boat owner is wanted

FROM DEBORAH COLLCUIT IN FRANKFURT

THE owner of the Miami houseboat in which Andrew Cunanan, the alleged killer of Gianni Versace, shot himself, may be wanted by German police.

They issued an arrest warrant for Thorsten Reineck, a Hamburg businessman, four years ago after he disappeared when suspected of fraud and tax evasion, according to a prosecutor in the eastern city of Leipzig.

The houseboat's owner has the same name and police here believe he could be their man.

A Leipzig police spokes man said Herr Reineck, 49, ran two businesses there, dealing in marketing and real estate. Asked if police believe the boat owner was the same man they are hunting, he said, "it's speculative, but we assume so. It would fit."

Norbert Rüger, the senior state prosecutor in Leipzig, said Herr Reineck had been under investigation for fraud since 1992. Bkk, the central Criminal Investigation Bureau in Germany that distributes international arrest warrants, confirmed he was being sought over

fraud and tax evasion. Records show that Herr Reineck owns the houseboat but by the time Cunanan entered it on Wednesday it had been vacant for some months.

The Clark County Licensing Bureau in Nevada listed Herr Reineck as a Miami Beach resident. He is also said to own the Apollo Spa, a gay health

## Killer called the shots in botched hunt

THE FBI and Miami police Chevrolet parked around the department made no mention yesterday that for months the serial killer who murdered Gianni Versace had been hiding under their noses. It was an investigation that had all the trappings of an inspector

Nicole Ramirez-Murray, a former friend of Cunanan, lambasted the FBI last night. "They handled it like the Keystone Cops," he said. "I think they bungled this right from the start. I don't think they took it seriously until there was a label, until there

was an international name." The killer had been on the FBI's most wanted list since early last month, by which time he had been seen several times in Florida. Cunanan had even pawned a gold coin, stolen from one of his victims, at a nearby shop and given his true name and address at the Normandy Plaza Hotel, The receipt, as is customary under Fiorida law, had been sent to the local police department where it had never been examined. That was five days

before Gianni Versace's death. When authorities did discover Cunanan's whereabouts, he was long gone and his hotel room was being searched, not by police, but by a shrewd local television crew. He had left myriad clues throughout Miami Beach, including his passport and chequebook sitting in a red sion since June 10.

From the start, FBI agents had said they thought he might have remained in the area but, by the time Cunanan turned a gun on himself, there was little sign of any progress in the inquiry. He had allegedbeen sighted in New York, in New Hampshire and even dressed as a woman in a bikini on Miami Beach.

Detectives said that they could give no credence to any of the sightings after Versace's murder and were privately depressed that their man had vanished. In fact, he had been living in a blue and white houseboat less than three miles from Versace's mansion.

The tip to police had come from the caretaker of the houseboats who said he had heard a shot. Swarms of police, FBI and Swat teams were sent to the waterfront where they waited for hours before storming the boat.

At first they said nothing until information leaked that a body had been found. Fearful another mistaken identification, police waited for finger-printing tests before a final announcement was made. Despite the euphoria, most must neither the FBI nor the police who had chosen the time or the place: it was Andrew





FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN NEW YORK

RELIEF swept through New drunk to the FBI, the late Gianni Versace and the dawn

of the "post-Cunanaa" era.
All-male bars in trend; Chelsea and Greenwich Village, as well as the more louche Eighth Avenue, were brimming with revellers cager to put the fears of a fortnight behind them.

Man, he was a nightmare. and I like my dreams sweet," said Serge Grubb, a leather-clad drinker at Julius, the city's best known gay rendez-vous. "For days the thought of Cunanan kept us awake, I swear. Now, it's as if nothing

Others took a less insouciant approach. Dominic Street, who was "passing through" New York, said: 'As a tribe, we gays are a lot calmer now. I'm glad he's gone, but the scar he left runs deep. It will be hard to trust meone you meet casually as impletely as we used to." At the Bridge and Tunnel, another tavern catering for

handshakes were exchanged by men to whom the gesture clearly did not come naturally. The elation was clear, even it was awkwardly ex-

A customer said: This is a day of celebration for us, like was in Czechoslovakia when the glasnost wall thing happened. I was in Prague then and I'm in New York

This led to a clinking of asses all round. "I'll drink to that," another enthused. Bar owners, too, were celebrating - sales were high, with a number of men ordering rounds of champagne and ordinals, and attendance

Conanan" leveis. While he was still at large, many men had ceased their omary excursions at night, staying at home in-stead to brood and worry. New York police, who had doubled their presence in gay areas during the manhout,

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Mixing showbiz with claret, Master Sommelier Barrie Larvin is bringing fine wine to America's high rollers. Barry Wigmore reports

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in an incongruous mix of the grand, the gaudy and the gauche. Larvin is the man from the Ritz who gave a wine lecture at the Rio Hotel in Las Vegas . . . and hit the jackpot.

The head-hunted president of Britain's Court of Master Sommeliers has moved lock. stock and silver tasting cup to the Rio, the newest hotel and money-making machine carved out of the Nevada desert. No wine connoisseur has been given a more delightful, or more onerous, task than he: to spend £4 million building the The Rio's owner, Anthony

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in this world of high-roller extravagance, the natural showmanship of a man whose WINDS TO STATE OF STREET palate has spanned 30 years at the Dorchester, the Grosvenor House, the Hyde Park Hotel, Browns, the Lanesborough, Could Prime Health give you and the Ritz (plus a consultancy for the Tea Council) has better cover at less cost come to the fore.

When a cellarman dropped an imperiale of 86 Chateau Lafite-Rothschild worth 53,000. Larvin didn't flinch. He put the shattered remains on display and got about E30,000 in free television

publicity. Larvin offers a taste for all wallets, and a face for all punters. Like a latter-day Jeeves, in his weekly TV ads he offers dollar-a-bottle sales of \$12 wines, in the cellar, beer and bourbon palates have been invited to \$25-a-head tastings of \$2,500-a-bottle Chateau Mouton-Rothschild '45.

"We showed how to open it, and how it is decanted," he says. "The people had that for nothing. Then we opened another 17 bottles and sold it for a hundred bucks a glass. That's still a tremendous sav-

ing."
For independence Day they opened an \$1,000 bottle of 190-year-old Scotch from the Thomas Jefferson collection and sold it at \$100 per halfounce sip. They are offering the empty bottle for \$5,000. Empties and wooden wine cases are snapped up. (They have the Jefferson Madeira as well but are saving that for the millennium celebrations). There are souvenir wine

corkscrews, key chains. T-shirts and autographed Barrie Larvin photos. Chums back in London watch

with interest akin to horror. "Barrie has obviously embraced the American Dream," grins Tom O'Connell, his former boss at the Ritz.

"I think they are probably amazed," concedes Larvin. "There's nothing wrong with London hotels. They are excellent, but they are very sedate and sombre. At the Rio we are very serious about wine - but we like to have fun as well."

Larvin, a London postman's

That was it. I phoned Jean, my wife. In London and asked what she thought about moving to Las Vegas. She said, 'Las Vegas — fine.' So here we

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In six months the Rio's wine sales have soared from 200 to 2,000 bottles a day. They are still rising. The amazing thing is that high-end wines sell like candy," he says.



Larvin: known as the Sid Vicious of the wine world

year-old trainee-manager at the Dorchester in 1963. His father, now 79, told him: "I'll give you a week. You're too bloody clumsy to be a waiter."
He taught himself about wines by studying in London libraries. "I don't think my dad ever drank a glass of wine

in his life," he says As president of Britain's Court of Master Sommeliers, he has been lecturing in Amer ica since 1984. He was staying at the Rio last year after flying in from Atlanta with his 22year-old son, Tony.

were looking for a wine guy. He said: There's only one person who can do that - my dad. I saw them and in 90

every month we have a quarter of a million dollars if we Auctioneers invite us to

wine sales. The word goes round, 'The Rio's in.' We move the market. We have changed. the whole wine scene. We are the Sid Vicious of the wine world. But we also have the best-trained staff in the Better than the Ritz? "Oh

yes, that's a baby place, a 230hedroom, one-restaurant hotel. Last January 640 people were trained by my kids in The Ritz, of course, may

wine service and knowledge." argue that bigger does not necessarily mean better. Isn't

he in danger of becoming to

wine what the Getty museum is to fine art?

"Not yet no. We drive a hard bargain. We walk away if prices are ridiculous. Also, in museums you get a product and you hold it. At the Rio, we get a product and we pour it. There's still too much snobbery around wine, particularly at the top end. Wine is a product from the earth made

for us to enjoy."

Last month Larvin invested. £240,000 of his bonanza buying champagnes, clarets and dessert wines at the auction of Lord Lloyd-Webber's cellar. He already had £156,000 worth of rare burgundles, and 135 years of the legendary Chateau d'Youem valued at £1,250,000.

The vintage Chateau broken chain from 1855 to 1990, racked along 30ft of shelf at shoulder height. "I am waiting for that Youem to go." says Larvin. "Everything is for pouring. There will be one crazy day down here when we open one of these cabinets, take one of the Youems and

"In fact," he licks his lips, "maybe that's today. In fact. . .

"Nooco," says a colleague. But Larvin is leaping to his feet, pulling out keys. He unlocks a cabinet, lifts a dark bottle. This is a 21 Youern right? Price at auction, \$7,000 to \$9,000 a bottle." Glasses are assembled.

Corkscrew emerges from a pocket. The seal is cut. The cork slides. Rich amber pours. Larvin's nose dives into the glass. Reverential sips. It is smooth and sweet, tasting of sherry... madeira... marsala... with a long aftertaste.
"When I drink a wine like

this, I wonder what's this bottle gone through? The grapes were picked just after the First World War. While it has been resting we've developed cars, Concorde, space travel. There's been another it's doing nothing for the

wine if all you do is put it in a case and hold it for 20 years then sell it on. I just want people to enjoy it."

He calls an assistant, hands

him the rest of the 21 Youem. "Be very careful with it, boys. yes. Look at the colour. This is the '21 Youem from the collec-tion. We'll sell it for lifty bucks a glass, right? That's right, yessir. Put something up on a board And call Rio Rita. Get

## The punters yote for Lady Luck

Eve-Ann Prentice on the winner of the betting shop stakes

and women of Glasgow spin dreams and pin hopes on the look of a horse or greyhound, or the drop of a lottery ball. Ms Killer's room is full

of men with lined faces and gnaried hands. Most are unemployed, one or two gers as they watch the images on high-tech screens. Most talk in hushed topes, as if they are in church. Nearly all of them regard this room as home from home; better. than home for some, and Ms Killen is their friend, mentor and, sometimes. tormentor.

Neat and trim, with the air of a caring and competerif ward sister, she is manageress of a Setting shop in what is arguably Scotland's hardest city. She is a celebrity in Glasgow after winning the Betting Shop Manager of the Year Award, courtesy of the Racing Post and the customers

Frances McKean who lives on the once notorious Gorbals estate, is Mis Killen's assistant and together they and five other women in the Ladbrokes branch soothe and pampe the egos of scores of

Many more women are gambling nowadays, says Ms Killen, Ladbrokes estimates that 30 per cent of its

The British tottery has made betting look respectable and women come in ar more," says Ms McKean, 49, a divorced mother of three Ladbrokes has spent £10 million upgrading its shops. Women now feel comfortable coming in."

in the Shawlands area of the city has bright light walls, an airy atmosphere and tidy racks of betting slips. She sells coffee for 40p a cup and threw a Fourth of July party for the regulars, treating them to the chance of a free yankee (a bet placed over foor races) in the Irish lottery. The Irish lottery is far more popular in Scotland than

Camelot's event, she says.

Ten years ago, it would have been only the occasional female who came in. about I per cent of the total; now it's coming up to 10 per-cent," she says. "What I would like most now is to become area supervisor, managing ten shoos. I also like customer service and: PR. thar's what I aim for." Ms Killen, 44, and Ms McKean have the odd flutter, on the Grand National or the Derby, but they must place their bets with the opposition. "I am lucky — sometimes 1 get a feeling about a house and I have to

back it," Ms Killen says. "I am not so lucky," says Mis McKean. "I go to the bingo and it's all the others who win, never me. I think some people are born lucky, they have a sort of halo round their heads and they win time after time. I think women gamble on a name, something that strikes them in a name, while the men study form."

Do men resent the inwomen bookmakers and gamblers? They used to at first, but not now," says Ms Killen. "If a woman comes

Luck. She is in and asks a man for advice he can act the gentle-man; he loves it." Unlike a publican, a bet-

ting shop manager cannot bar a punter if he seems to be spending more than he can afford. "I had a Chinese customer." Ms Killen says. They love gambling, but he started laying bigger and bigger bets and losing all the time. I prayed for him to win, it was awful to watch. but I am not allowed to tell

anyone to stop."

They reckon they are performing a social service for the mostly unemployed daytime clients. Many men spend all day in Ms Killen's shop, spending just £2.

"It gives them a chance to get dressed up and have a conversation. It stops them going mad," she says. The women are training a man to become a Ladbrokes manager and what drives them mad is when customers who do not know better assume that he is in charge.

But the women have their laughs, too. There are the crazy bets, such as wagers on proof of the existence of the Loch Ness monster, or whether an alien will be discovered in New York by the year 2000. A few years



Ellen Killen won award

ago. Élvis Presley sightings were all the rage. "We put 

screens," Ms Killen says. Then there was the day a punter came in with £15,000 stuffed in a duffie bag. "I knew the man; he came in carty so I would have time to count it all before the race," she says.

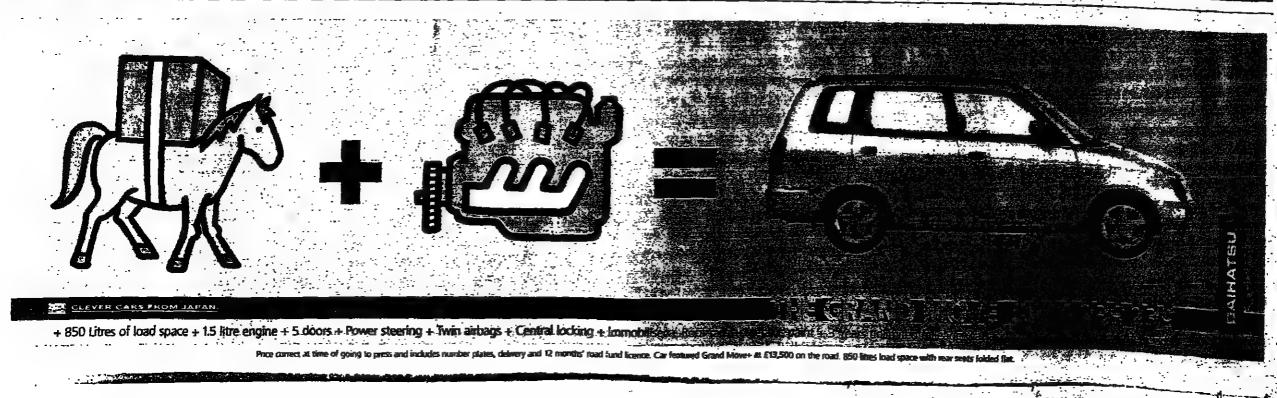
"It was a sure fire bet a favourite - and he didn't win. He wasn't upset. though, because he knew what he was doing

"I have never seen a woman put on big bets; except for other people. You can tell it's for other people because they are so unconcerned, whereas if it was her money ..."

But surely some people become upset when they lose? "Men can get overemotional sometimes, it's a communication problem. she says. "I don't react."

a the floor of the betting shop, the polite and fulfact praise for the women. So oversee their lives. Loss Zigman is 88 and has placed a betting shop almost every day since he left school. There's nothing else to do," he says. "If you are lucky, you win now and again. I have won a ler and lost a lot, usually on the dogs. There's toe many twisters on the

Mesnwhile, Ms Killen, Bookmaker of the Year, takes another meagre ber Gambling is an honourable thing," she says. "It's an understanding between the customer and the bookmaker. We all know the



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## Some women are just gluttons for stress



To stop stress at home, men must be big enough to see where their wives are wrong, says Joe Joseph

n item in this newspaper a couple of days ago, citing research carried out by Duke University Medical Centre in North Carolina, suggested that stress hormone levels in working mothers rose each morning and stayed high once the women returned home, because there was just no let-up in their day. Frankly. it is important that all you working fathers out there digest this report because chances are you were far too busy at the time fulfilling all your own domestic duties to spot the story yourself.

It's true that there are many selfish fathers who, when they get home after a tough day. want to do nothing more than put their feet up, pour them-selves a drink and crack That's certainly what I feel like doing. But at those times when it is clear that our partners are up to their ears in baby-bathing and nappy-changing and bedtimereading, we know that we are duty-bound to pick up the phone ourselves and invite friends over if we want any congenial adult company for

the next few hours. Generally, though, working fathers have only too little time. to laze around all evening, since their family obligations are every bit as time-consuming and stressful as those of working mothers. Take the

burdensome ritual of reading the newspapers, which only looks relaxing. On the contrary, it is a stressful, albeit crucial chore, because, while the mother can afford to fritter. away whole evenings just tying up all those small loose strings of family life, such as organising this year's summer holiday, interviewing for a nanny, discussing the house evaluating school tuses, the father of the house instinctively reverts to family protector. To do this he scours the newspaper for information that will help him to take those big decisions a man must make as his children's guardian, such as whether the Anglo-Irish peace process is dying, should the crew on Mir-abandon ship, and what to make of Ravanelli's shenani-

gans at Middlesbrough. On a post-work, domesticten, working mothers generously rank working fathers at around minus 463. This is not because men's evenings are any less stressful, just that women can get stressed needlessly. Often stress arises out of simple misunderstandings. For example, a woman should realise that when she has finished putting the children to bed, written various thankyou letters, sent a birthday card to your mother, and



Reading only looks relaxing. On the contrary, it is a stressful, albeit crucial, chore for the father as family protector

en with a toasted sandwich. only to hear her man bark, "I said cheese and tomato, not fust cheesel", that he is not so much worried about his own stomach, as about her hearing, "Should she get her eurs tested?" he is asking himself. perhaps more anxiously than he really cares to let on: "Should I have let her strip all the floorboards with the industrial sander on Tuesday evening without putting my foot down and absolutely insisting that she wear Do It All protective earmuifs?"

Similarly, working fathers know only too well how precious it is to slot in "quality time" with the children when you get home. But does the to concentrate on Brookside instead. He knows these are the sort of big sacrifices that fatherhood demands.

t the end of the evening, when the finally mother spares the time to sit down on the sofa and share some of the evening with her partner, she'll often force further stress on herself by brusquely interrogating him. It starts with something innocuous-sounding, such as "Anything go on at the office today?" to which you reply "Nope", and she snaps back,

that there was a pre-dawn raid on the company's shares, which led to a putsch in the boardroom, as a result of which the chief exec was ousted, which made his secretary Susie burst into tears because she is bearing his love-child which nobody knew about, least of all her husband. so she ran to the washroom and took an overdose of sleeping pills, after which a rumour hit the stock market that it was

the chief exec who had tried to

top himself, which made the

shares plummet, and the

dawn-raiders backed off and

launched a bid for a rival

man hog this emotional experience? Rarely — no matter how stressful he might find it

"What, you spent all day at the office and nothing happened?" five o'clock everything was back as it was. Which is what you were trying to tell her in the first place without subjecting her to all the trauma, but gluttons for stress.

But men aren't insensitive to their partners' behaviour on such occasions. They realise that juggling busy jobs and boisterous children can be stressful for both parties, which in turn can put a relationship under strain. This is why a man realises he must occasionally be big enough to step back and see exactly where his wife was wrong: it's just his way of making her life a little less stressful.

## The curtain fell on my DIY career

Erica Wagner finds she lacks the gene needed for doing it herself

ust like the enthusiastic, hammer-happy crowds on BBC2's All Mod Cons, my life was going to change. I moved house six months ago bought the place, all mine, No more calling the land-lord when the sink's blocked. I know what plumbers cost. I would have to - do it myself.

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| bought a drill. | own several screwdrivers — one of which is called a Phillips screwdriver and I feel mighty smart that I know

Spirit level, I have one of those, too. And a wrench and a tube of superglue. All I needed was to sign up for the eight-week DIY course on offer at my local college and I'd be ready for any-thing — U-bend crises and shelv-

ing emergencies. 'Fools like There was a burst pipe at the me keep college. Honestly, there was. plumbers, Place completely flooded. The and all course was cuncelled. So much carpenters for that.

in work' er, a set of rather expensive curtain poles still lies in the front hall, still wrapped in brown paper, nearly a month after John Lewis kindly brought them round. I step over them. I

don't look at them. I pretend

Six months lat-

they're not there. I wake up in the morning at 5.30, the sun pouring through my uncurtained windows. The thought of spending my weekend on a stepladder, serenaded by the scream of the drill, plaster dust in my eyes and nose, fills me with dread. What if I discover that I've put the hole in the wrong place — should have used the spirit level — and have to start all over again? Just thinking about it makes my arms tired and I feel that I might weep with anticipat-

ed frustration. This is my theory. If you have a parent or other influential figure in your life who is a dab hand with a hammer and lathe, you will - rather than inheriting the skill - have absolutely no inclination to use the tools

yourself. This is partly to do with incentive Dad/Mom/Uncle Sydney will do it in seconds, so why should I waste my time? And it is partly to do with projected hopelessness: Dad/Mom/Uncle Sydney

gently attempting to demonstrate the right way to grout, and I may find it impossible to resist the temptation to insert the grouter where no grouter should go. My evidence for this is purely anecdotal, but so far it seems true

My dad is an engineer. whose services to the world include the invention of the magnetic knife rack, and a man who knows a hatchet from a handsaw. He lives across an ocean from me, but this is no hindrance. If it needs fixing, and is of reasonable size, into bubblewrap it goes to be posted, at Atlantic to his clever hands. Sadiv. this option is not

available where the curtain poles are concerned, but the option of flying him over to sort my place out has not been dismissed from my mind,

I had an apart-ment in New York a few years ago and I did some work on it myself. My dad had been ill and wasn't his usual

Mister Fixit self. So, he served as site foreman, sitting up straight on a chair in the middle of the room and calling out directions as rewired sockets, installed light fixtures, stained a kitchen door - and ves. even put up some curtain

Clearly, however, this was an aberration. His knowledge flowed straight to my fingers and bypassed my brain entirely, because I can recall nothing of what I did. Those damn poles are still sitting in my hall. There is no cure for my affliction. I am DIY deficient.

n truth. I am not sad. I am a little tired from all L the early sunlight, but there are advantages to rising with the lark. I do not miss Sunday pilgrimages to B&O and Do It All. And my lack of contribution to the national economy - more than £10 billion is spent on home improvement each year - does not make me feel guilty. Think of all the plumbers, electricians and carpenters who would be bereft of employment without fools like me

I should finish this and go to bed. I have to be up early, you know.

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## Paddy and Tony bury the hatchet

The Lib-Lab rapprochement

hangs on PR, says John Lloyd

The Liberals have long seen themselves as the civilisers of the Labour movement, and do so still. Gladstone sought to enrol the newly enfranchised working class into his crusade to assist the wretched of the earth. Now Paddy Ashdown seeks to rub away at the Prime Minister's agnosticism over proportional

representation.
There is, however, much more at stake than leading the ignorant to the light, which is why Mr Ashdown and his senior colleagues are willing to countenance walking into the flytrap which their participation in the Cabinet policy subcommittee could become.

The prize is proportional representation. That is a prize so precious — capable of transmuting the base metal of Liberal parliamentary repre-sentation into the gold of the three-figure cohort in Westminster to which their national vote would proportionately entitle them - that it is worth a larger risk than that which they now run.

Tony Blair and Paddy Ashdown like each other very much, and are happy, even anxious, to show it. Those attending D-Day ceremonies at Westminster shortly after

Mr Blair became Prime Minister were surprised at the obvious affection between the Blairs and the Ashdowns. Their Ashdowns. Their hugging and kiss-ing, backslapping and smiling spoke of past intimacies.

doubt this springs from personal friendships. But it also springs from shared convictions.

A former commando does not join a no-hope party from naked ambition. Mr Ashdown has beliefs, especially in commurity and in education. which chime well with the passions of the Minister

Mr Blair the rationalist believes it is silly for two parties with so much in common to indulge in aggressive rhetoric in the Commons for the sake of convention. A common purpose should, he believes, issue forth in common action: further, he believes that a move into the centre of the political arena is a long-term necessity, it was one of these remarkable coincidences that, on the same day the proposal to include the Liberal Democrats into a new Cabinet committee was announced, the news broke that six major trade unions were attempting to retain the power which the existing Labour Party constitution gives them. As the Liberals move centrestage, the unions are being husiled off, kicking and shout-

ing, stage-left. But will Mr Blair espouse proportional representation? And if he does, will he have the nerve to convert his party and his Commons colleagues to an idea whose time may have come, but whose implementation may be painful to their prospects for re-election? Mr Ashdown thinks it is possible. He believes the first-past-thepost principle is being sliced away by the decisions to grant new assemblies in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland at least an element of PR. Mr Blair has also conceded that PR will apply in the European elections of 1999.

The citadel of Westminster is surrounded by PR forests creeping like Birnam Wood, in the last act of Macbeth, ever closer to the walls. The intellectual case seems to have been implicitly lost. If the merits of first-past-the-post are not so clear as to recommend the system to new British assemblies, why are they thought so resonant in Parliament?

But intellectual is as intellectual does. Power, any realist would argue, must be what drives politics and the calculations and decisions of leaders. In this, Mr Ashdown mobilises another set of hopes: that Mr Blair, despite his continuing posture of remaining to be persuaded about PR, is in the end more interested in changing politics than in preserving party. First-past-the-post is as

much part of the tribalism of Labour as were the unions. It plays to the "us" and "them" split in British society, against which the Social Democrats of the 1980s would rail and whose mould they claimed to break. They broke themselves

Blair and

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instead: but their soul went marching on in the person of Mr Blair, who often resembles David Owen with a longer

The class system is still with us, but fragments. because it is no longer a system. It

economic interests of varying powers which the political and business clites seek to mobilise and reshape to their designs. In such a world, the classic response to the canvasser that we've always been Labour/Conservative/Liberal here" makes no sense. In such world. Where choice is a daily necessity, the restriction of political choice to vast portmanteau parties based on decaying classes is absurd. But it is harder to slough off the old system than it is to rid oneself of the troublesome

is, rather, a series of social and

Present voting arrange-ments give British political power its freedom. It relieves ministers from the continental grind of getting policies agreed in committees with micro-parties which have been given a grasp of the major party's windpipe by commanding a few percentage points of the vote. It would be folly to ditch it, especially when it had just produced

union barons

such a liberating majority. Yet Mr Blair may do it. He has shown that his passion is for modernity. First-past-thepost is a grand old British piece of traditional flummery which underpins the elected dictatorship and gives an illusion of strength to political leaders who must be reminded of the fragility of their tenure. It is worth the risk of incorporation to have a chance to snatch that prize. Mr Ashdown is right. We should hope his famously grumpy party supports him. John Lloyd is associate editor of the New Statesman



# The party of orthodoxy

Paul on the road to Damascus strikes the student of human nature differently from the theologian. Saul's belief changed, but Saul did not.

Saul stopped attacking Christians as a Jew, and Paul started attacking Judaism as a Christian. Whatever it was that Paul believed, he became gripped by an intense certainty that he was right, and filled with indignation against those who disagreed. He started to lay down the law. His instinct was authoritarian.

Bruce Anderson writes for The Spectator. If he had been chronicling the age of St Paul rather than of Tony Blair, he might have surveyed some of the views Paul had held and written something like this: "If we seek to understand the divergent stances Paul has taken on religion. we search in vain for any general principle." As it is, Mr Anderson as nimseli assessi "If," he writes (July 191 "we seek to understand the divergent stances which Labour has taken on cigarettesmoking and homosexuality, we search in vain for any general principle."

John Lloyd, my fellow Times columnist, sounds similarly puzzled. On this page on July 24 he notes "the growing list of pleasures that new Labour wishes to curtail, control or ban . . . hunting, shooting, smoking, drinking - on what other earthly pleasures does the cold eye of new

Labour light? Ah, cars." You could call this authoritarian, he suggests. But then Mr Lloyd turns his attention to the Government's more permissive attitude to homosexuality. This is, he writes, "by contrast an unequivocal blow for liberty".

I suggest to Mr Anderson that there is no difficulty in finding a unifying general principle; and to Mr Lloyd that there is no contrast between Labour's attitudes to smoking and to homosexuality. In any survey of the party's approach to the personal habits of the citizenty, there is nothing puzzling, nothing to be explained. Labour has always been and remains a party of orthodoxy. Its interests are profoundly authoritarian. The huge change we have recently seen in the party is a change in the substance of Labour's orthodoxy. Orthodoxies change: but the habit of orthodoxy stays the same.

John Lloyd should not conclude that changes to the law on homosexuality are an unequivocal blow for Labour has changed its policies, but not its habit of angry intolerance

liberty. Liberty means letting people do what you believe may be wrong. The liberty to do what the Govern-ment thinks is right is a liberty Stalin would have been happy to accord. New Labour does not believe

homosexuality is wrong. This Government's altered attitude towards the expression of homosexual love reflects nothing more than a generational change in attitudes towards consensual sex. The view now fashionable is that physical and emotional love is good for people, so long as there is no "victim". Being good for people, it should not be

or dispunished couraged. Indeed it should be encourand that is why those on the gued for the decriminalisation of homosexuality so often go on to make the case for promoting it some believing that

the State itself should do so. To see this as a great blow for tolerance, a new openness to diversity, is a grave error. The people who want to put books extolling homosexuality into school libraries are the same people who want to remove books they accuse of encouraging "undestrable" attitudes. These people are not the standard-bearers of liberty, and those who rally to their banner believing it to be the banner of toleration should beware. Those ready to raise you up because they approve will be quick to tread you underfoot if ever they disapprove. Trust most in the protection of those who may hate what you do, yet respect your privacy and liberty to do it. I am far from claiming that the Conservative Party offers any guarantee of such protection. Tories have their own PC, but they call it Victorian values. The flame of liberty burns fitfully among them and increasingly fitfully among Liberal Democrats, Liberty, paternalism and authoritarianism all have good pedigrees in the Tory party and the struggle between them is ceaseless. My purpose here is to point out that claims that liberty is winning in the Consider Labour's mental anguish over abortion. The philosophical harbour offered to any libertarian in such matters is closed to a new Labour thinker. Those of us who believe in liberty find no difficulty at the parliamentary level - in accepting that such an issue might be considered a matter of conscience by party whips. On the issue itself, we conclude that abortion might or

might not be evil, but that the moral choice should be left to the mother.

A Blairite has difficulty with this, and Mr Blair shows signs of having difficulty with it himself. His instinct is to decide whether or not abortion is

put a stop to it. If it is not bad, then surely it is good? And many on the feminist Left do indeed take that view and would seek to facilitate abortion. A Blairite's reflexive reaction to such

questions is to "take a view" on whether to prohibit or promote. Once taken, this view should be a matter of party policy. That there are practical reasons why new Labour is unable to follow that reflex in this case lends a palpable unease to their whole consideration of the matter.

It is easier with sex and tobacco. New Labour genuinely believes smoking is harmful and homosexuality is not. There is, therefore, no contradiction in banning one and decriminalising the other, but both moves spring from an unspoken premise: if something is harmful, it ought to be stopped. Whole categories of behaviour which the Labour Party used to believe harmful have been reclassified and removed from the list. The profit motive, educational selection, nuclear weapons, strikebreaking . . . the roll call is extensive. into the gaps they leave, new taboos are moving: sexism, racism, homophobia, smoking, alcopops, noisy neighbours . . . but what remains is a principled determination to improve

mankind by legislation. And beneath that tone there is a darker undertone, quieter but persis-tent: a huge irritation and impatience

project. I have watched the Labour Party in the Commons for 20 years now and I have to report that, for all the revolutionary change it has made to policy, the habit of angry intolerance towards dissent from within its ranks remains unchanged. The bright-eyed, designer-clad modern men and women who have crowded onto the Government benches since May I differ in so many ways from the crumpled, nicotine stained tradeunion-reared men who sat there 20 years ago, but they share this: the

mentality of the gang.

There is no difficulty in explaining this. It arises firstly from the roots of the Labour movement in organised labour. The need for solidarity is paramount in any army, and that includes an industrial army fighting for its rights. Those who break the moral consensus are unconsciously, bracketed with scab labour. But there i second straind to the robe di Labour's moral halter, and it is a Celtic strand. Gang mentality is a very Scottish phenomenon.

see that John Haldane, Professor of Philosophy at St. Andrews, writing here on Tuesday, has a nicer term for it: "moral community". Professor. Haldane commends to us the idea that new Labour is a characteristically Scottish force, for "as one moves north, the soil of moral community grows deeper". Moral community regards the English ("particularly in London") as giving excessive "emphasis to freedom and choice, as against habits of acceptance, self-

sacrifice and duty". Having some small experience of Scotland, and having long observed the parliamentary Labour Party at Westminster. I think Professor Haldane's suggestion is deadly accurate: a somewhat Celtic spirit - and intolerance of what he calls "rootless, self-indulgent individualists" - does infuse this Government.

Can I tell him that as an Englishman, I find it odious? I shudder at the phrase he celebrates: "moral community". Not everyone will thank "the missionaries of St Columba". whom he commends, for sending south this type of priggish, sourly self-satisfied, net-curtain twitching, neighbourhood-police mentality. I look forward to the day when the good Professor's missionaries go home. They will shortly have their own Parliament in which to preach.

## Is Dearing the end of Oxford?

Michael Beloff QC

defends the idea of

an elite university

hat would Oxford want in the best of all possible worlds? It would want excellence of achievement, equality of opportunity, and a distribution of public moneys to reinforce its emipublic moneys to reinforce its eminence across a range of research. It is
by these ideals that we, no longer dreaming of Dearing among the 
spires but confronted with the real 
thing, will judge the Government's 
reaction to the massive report.

Dearing emerges at a time of year 
when Oxford colleges are undergraduate-free zones. They have been letfor the vacation to the conference and

for the vacation to the conference and tourist trade while the students are out in the workplace. The centrepiece of Dearing — annual tuition fees of £1,000 — may have been stigmatised as a breach of the principle of free higher education, but it only makes explicit the continuing erosion of student grants. Every week spent as a part-time sales assistant at some local superstore (to pay in turn for internaling in Eastern Europe), is a week lost to the student's academic

preparation or revision.
There is nothing intrinsically offen sive in the idea that students, whose degrees are passports to prosperity, should pay for the privilege. But any increase in cost to the student will inhibit applications from prospective entrants of low and middle income earning parents: the proposed threshold for free mition is set very low. We spend more time on my governing body discussing ways of widening our catchment area than on any other topic. Dearing's proposals will not help us — rather the reverse. Debt deters; for that reason alone, a graduate tax would have been a better option.

· Unless there is a wholesale change in attitude so that the potential student (and his parents) will think the product worth buying then Oxford risks becoming once again a redoubt of the rich. This risk is increased by the Government's recent decision to cut Oxford's grant increase to I per cent with its inevitable knock on effect on student rents and allied charges. The Secretary of State's proposal for a supplementary, hardship plan of \$250 per year to those who need it does not substantially add to what the univer-sity and individual colleges already

provide for the Bury Dard ( The introduction of tuition fees is not by itself going to solve university cash crises — even if the Treasury was prepared to hypothecate the sums raised and give it all to the universities. There is a black hole in the proposals. It is unclear where the money which the poorest students will not have to pay, but which the universities will need, is to come from (Top-up tuition fees are properly ruled out, but their absence

requires some other source of funds.) In the new diverse university system (Oxbridge, Redbrick, Plate-glass, former polytechnic), while all universities are equal, some are more equal than others. So they should be, Higher education is worldwide. Britain needs world-class centres of excellence. Dearing is right to stress the importance of new technology for all universities, but wrong to set his face against an elite within it. It is vital not only that fees go towards university expenses, but also that they are not redistributed to the detriment of the best universities.

The academic community is constituted by both teachers and the cinema Reaction to Dearing has concentrated on the impact on students. The Government must also grasp the nettle of academic salaries. These are perilously low. The Dearing report recommends that Oxbridge, rollings, fees should be reviewed by ministers so as to ensure that extra finds represented "a good use of resources. While postponing the storm, this does not dissolve the clouds. Any removal of public subsidy for the college fees would threaten the twin pillars of Oxford education. the collegiate system and tutorial by tuition. Direct and constant contact between don and student is, in my experience, especially effective. It is vital that Oxford should dispel any impression that it is "a fat cat university". Oxford is not seeking to be protected for privilege: it asks to be equipped for efficiency.

Those who say that its products

still dominate the institutions of powers and influence in Britain might ask themselves whether this may not bear a relationship to the education which its graduates have received. We aim to give the best to those whom we have selected as the best - irrespective of where they come from. And we cannot do it by: ourselves. The endowment of only a few colleges could withstand the withdrawal of subsidy for college fees. We already maximise the commercial exploitation of our premises -- perhaps already at the expense of students who wish to remain in situ

for the vacation. Our task now is not to sell our selves to the world, but to sell our university to the Government. Minisiers cannot, surely, see Oxford's

The author is President of Trinity College, Oxford, Philip Howard's column will appear tomorrow.

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# Eating away

ATTITUDES among the Labour Government towards the taking of lunch grow ever more perverse. When they were first elected, it looked as though lunch would be abolished, with everyone forced to guzzle sandwiches and mineral water on the hoof à la Peter Mandelson, Milk Monitor without Portfolio. Now there are reports of



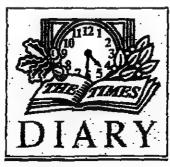
And what does 60 years' interest on grandfather's the lunch hour.

One journalist recently set up lunch with a minister and rang up to confirm it with her private office on the day. Five minutes after receiving his confirmation, he received a call from the minister's departmental press office asking what questions he would be asking? Bang out of order, said the hack. It was unprecedented for a departmental press office to go nosing around over a lunch held

on private lobby terms. With the eye of No 10 looming over ministerial lives like the UFO over Washington in the posters for Independence Day, ministers and journalists are having to go to more elaborate means to keep their rendezvous secret.

One scam proving successful is to bypass government departments and telephone the ministers researchers instead to arrange meetings. A restaurant can then be booked a safe distance from Westminster and the lunch held without it ever appearing in the official ministerial diary.

 Lincoln's Inn went bananas on Tuesday night in tribute to Cap-



tain Malcolm Carver, who is retiring after 40 years as the Under-Treasurer at the Inns of Court. Talk centred on the Lord Chancellor's pot-and-kettle criticism of fat cat lawyers. George Carman, QC, one of the best paid and most successful lawyers. looked by turns indignant and woeful. As the evening wore on, he turned to his table and said: "What's so wrong with fat cats anyway?"

Flying low

WINTERS of pheasant-shooting are over for Lord Forte of Ripley, 88, founder of the Forte hotel group, who is asking £10 million for his 1,800-acre Surrey estate.

Ryde Farm Estate in Ripley. 25 miles from London, includes 17 houses, an arable farming enter-

prise and a commercial dairy. The principal residence, decorated in the manner of a Forte Hotel, has a 60ft drawing-room, a 43ft pool and a quarry-tiled gun room.

Labour Party are misleading.

Lord Forte bought the estate 35 years ago. There was only one problem with it. Even the politest members of his shooting parties could not help but grumble about birds flying only 4ft off the ground.

 Storm, the London modelling agency behind Kate Moss, Carla Bruni and Iris Palmer, is opening a branch in Cape Town. "We'll be going for more conventional. healthy types," says a spokesman at the agency, founded in 1987 by Richard Branson and Sarah Doukas. "None of that English eccentricity." They might care to consult Earl Spencer, man about Cape Town, who was recently linked to Josie Borain, a South African model and walking advertisement for a life spent outdoors.

#### No change

THERE is a charming consistency to the conduct of Des Swayne, Conservative MP for New Forest West. who has been berating the Prime Minister at Question Time over the issue of Welsh devolution. A letter to the student newspaper of St Andrews University, published when



Swayne was studying there in 1977, reads: "We would like to complain about the attitude of Des Swayne at practically every political meeting we have attended including SRC hecklings." Swayne's behaviour, the anonymous divinity student concludes, is quite simply "rude, nasty and brusque".

## Working out

SINISTER voices are saying that Tessa Jowell, the Minister for Public Health, has signed up with the same personal trainer as Cherie Blair. Ms Jowell is said to be



Keeping fit Tessa Jowell

breaking sweat for £50 an hour with Carole Caplin, the former glamour model and rock singerturned-physical trainer, who works at the Albany Fitness.

Centre. Regent's Park.
Some suspect Ms Jowell of using her gym time to catch up on No 10 gossip. Her press office at the Department of Health issues a blanket denial on the matter. One yery senior leotard, however, recom- destiny as just another university mends Miss Caplin as a woman to with its colleges ending their days as watch, saying: "Carole has a lot of full-time conference centres."

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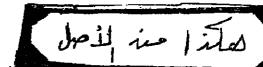
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### A HARD BARGAIN

Scotland's Parliament should satisfy, but will not come cheap

Devolution was, farnously, John Smith's unfinished business." Tony Blair, notoriously, once compared a Scottish parliament. to a parish council. The White Paper, Scotland's Parliament, published yesterday, brings devolution within Scots'grasp but, even if its proposals pass smoothly into law, that will not be the end of the business. The transfer of powers envisaged is significant, well beyond the parochial, but those powers are to be exercised within a framework of firm Westminster sovereignty.

The demand for a parliament in Scotland is greater than in Wales, and so are the powers to be devolved. Consequently, the potential difficulties and the need for careful remodelling of the Union are all the greater. If Labour is to create a settlement which endures then Scots must appreciate the nature of the new Union better than their ancestors did the treaty of 1707, which provoked discontent long before it won admirers. When Scots cast their votes in the referendum they should recognise that the establishment of their parliament comes at a price, and one which may grow over time.

The principled argument for Scottish devolution is, like the Scottish Secretary Donald Dewar, mature, respectable and persuasive. Scotland is the only nation with its own legal system but no legislature. The growth in administrative devolution over the past 112 years has given the Scottish Secretary formidable powers over his fellow countrymen and £14 billion to spend. An hour a month at Westminster and a peripatetic Grand Committee, with no Tory representation, are flimsy figleaves for such an exercise of proconsular power. A properly established Scottish parliament could ensure a level of executive accountability, legislative scrutiny and democratic legitimacy which the status quo cannot.

-Moving from the high ground of principle, however, involves negotiating boggy territory. The White Paper provides a sure guide through certain constitutional quagmires but it is, as yet, an incomplete map. The most prominent problem raised so far, the West Lothian question, is tackled as effectively as political realities allow. The potential difficulty for a Labour Government, dependent on Scottish MPs, legislating for England when it does not enjoy a majority south of the border is mitigated by the promise of a boundary review which will reduce Scottish representation.

The path to resolving other areas of possible friction is not so obvious. The White Paper states that the current level of Treasury spending in Scotland will survive, as will the post of Scotlish Secretary. But how long will the Treasury tolerate the status quo when a Scotlish parliament can levy its own taxes? Will the English meekly acquiesce when they realise Scots can enjoy lower taxes at their expense? What will the Scottish Secretary do when almost all his old powers are exercised by the executive in a Scottish parliament? What muscle will he have at Cabinet level with a tiny budget, shrunken secretariat and, very possibly, a parliament in Edinburgh to which he is ideologically opposed?

The inevitable diminution in the influence of the Scottish Secretary is more than one man's problem. To take just two issues, the EU and oil taxation, policy will be decided around a Cabinet table where Scotland's voice is weaker. A parliament will be more representative of Scottish opinion than any one minister but what use will that be when it cannot always make representations where it counts?

Entering caveats should not be equated with erecting obstacles. It is for Scotland to decide how best its political identity finds expression. The search for greater autonomy within the Union has been the Grail quest of Scottish politics for the past hundred years and this White Paper is a bold and honest attempt to bring it to a happy conclusion. Scots must, however, recognise that greater autonomy in Edinburgh is inevitably offset by less influence in England. It is as well to recognise that now, lest resentment sour a Union which has benefited both.

#### **A CHANGE OF PRIORITIES**

Ministers will not be judged by how much they spend

All new governments come into power determined to rationalise public spending. Few achieve their goal. But if the steamroller ministers not to see themselves as ambasof government expenditure can be redirected just a little, it is worth the try. And the first year is the best opportunity to attempt it.

When one party has been in power for 18 years and another takes over, there must be scope for reallocation of money, both within and between departments, to reflect changed priorities: Ministers can also question whether spending in their departments achieves what it is supposed to achieve. That is the rationale behind the Government's comprehensive spending review, the terms of reference for which were published yesterday for each department.

Although the Conservatives held fundamental spending reviews, this is the first time that all departments have been asked to examine their operations simultaneously. That element of competition may spur ministers on, particularly since the reward will be approval from the Prime Minister and the Chancellor. They know that they will be judged on the savings that they find. They will also have no excuse not to throw themselves into the task. Because public spending levels for the coming year have been inherited from the Conservatives, ministers will not be distracted by having to make a bid in the annual spending round.

These factors should help to combat the countervailing pressure from officials in their departments, who judge the success of ministers by the amount of money that they manage to extract from the Treasury.

Gordon Brown and his Chief Secretary, Alistair Darling, are trying to persuade sadors for their departments. This will be hard, but not perhaps impossible in the early months of a new administration.

Dismantling the Leviathan and reassembling it more efficiently demands that searching questions be put. First, ministers will have to work out their objectives and how progress towards them can be measured and achieved. Then they will have to examine whether the current methods of delivering them are working - and if not, why not. Finally, there is the question of whether departments could achieve the same results more cheaply, and if so, how.

One of the few advantages of inheriting a tight spending regime is that ministers have already been forced to be imaginative and to challenge their assumptions. Thus, for instance; David Blunkett has accepted the need for students to contribute towards their tuition fees, a notion that would have been anathema to a Labour politician not so long

This exercise will be a big test to a Cabinet of uneven quality. It will mark out those who have managed the transition from Opposition to Government, and those who have not. But if a reordering of expenditure can ever be achieved, it is worth trying now, before what the Treasury calls "departmentalitis" sets in. The old ways will doubtless return, but Mr Blair is right to take advantage of the vigour of his new administration before they do.

#### **TEARS IN ROME**

Italians demonstrate their opposition to the death penalty

In scenes as emotional as those that surrounded the Milan memorial service for Gianni Versace, hundreds of Italians mourned another death yesterday morning. They expressed their grief outside the American Embassy in Rome, and in the Campo dei Fiori, at the site where Giordano Bruno, philosopher and astronomer, was burnt at the stake for heresy 397 years previously. Similar vigils were held in other places, notably Palermo, a city that lost its most recent honorary citizen that night.

The object of this outpouring of emotion was not an eminent figure or national hero. Joseph O'Dell was a convicted criminal executed by lethal injection thousands of miles away in the state of Virginia. O'Dell had no connection with Italy. Despite that, his cause was adopted by newspapers and politicians across the country.

The Italian Prime Minister, Romano Prodi, personally petitioned President Clinton for a commuted sentence. The Mayor of Palermo visited Richmond, Virginia, to ask Governor George Allen to spare the condemned man's life. Their efforts had been supported by the Pope and Mother Teresa. It

was to no avail. This crusade says much about Italy and the attitudes of Italians. In most European states capital punishment has been abolished at the behest of elites over the objections of popular opinion. Not so Italy, where a combination of Catholic teaching and revulsion over the deployment of state sanctioned death during the fascist dictatorship (especially in Abyssinia and Albania), saw the instrument abolished shortly after Mussolini's own execution. That decision is still supported by an overwhelming majority. O'Dell was not the first American on

death row to be adopted by Italians. This affair acquired a special standing because of newspaper reports that highlighted doubts over the DNA evidence used against him. But most Italians would have opposed the sentence even if O'Dell's guilt had been proved beyond all possible contention. The entire US judicial system was portrayed as harsh and uncompromising. The Governor, it was alleged, had refused clemency to advance his own electoral ambitions. Those accounts might have exaggerated the degree of uncertainty in these circumstances.

The outcry also sheds an unusual light on Italian-American relations. The American constitutional apparatus is widely admired by Italians who hold a dim view of their own politicians and government. The energy and enterprise of US culture is also universally appreciated. That the same society, normally so advanced, can deploy the death penalty - and with such apparent enthusiasm — is regarded with amazement as well as abhorrence. Italians are quietly proud of their own sense of compassion and forgiveness in these matters. In this respect, Rome perceives itself as somewhat superior to Richmond. The execution of O'Dell will reinforce that belief.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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#### Dearing's 'tough truths' on tuition fees and student debt Use of Internet by

From Dr Kenneth Jason

Sir. With such a vast increase in the number of school leavers going on to university, it is little wonder that the Government has been forced to make them pay for their tuition (reports and leading article, July 24). Twenty or thirty years ago the country could comfortably afford to invest in the brightest gaining a higher education to ensure its future as one of the world's top industrial and technological nations.

If this expansion in higher education were truly beneficial, one would expect to see the highest increases in subjects such as physics. This has clearly not been the case and in fact a few established universities have been forced to close their physics departments. The majority of the expansion has been in pseudo-academic subjects such as media studies. In institutions that really have no right to be called universities.

If students are required to pay for tuition, it will force them to look closely at whether they really need to go to university and whether the course they do has any real value. It is a pity that to restore balance to higher edu-cation diligence and hard work are to be replaced by fees.

Yours sincerely. KENNETH JASON. 3 Linksway, Holders Hill Road, NW4. kenneth@ort.org

From the General Secretary of the Association of University Teachers

Sir, I welcome the commitment by the Secretary of State, David Blunkett "The tough truths of Dearing", July 24), that the Government's proposals will mean more money for universities, and that the savings will be used in higher education. What is raised in higher education must be spent in higher education, or the political row with new Labour supporters will echo for years.

I would also like to challenge your point (leading article, July 21) that it is well established that too much is spent in Britain on its universities at the expense of its schools.

Evidence on BSE

According to the most recent statisties from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the only education sector in the UK where spending per pupil or student was above the OECD average was in pre-primary schools. In all the other sectors - primary, secondary and tertiary - our spending was below our competitors' averages. For example, direct spending per UK tertiary student in 1993 was \$8,241 (£4.900) - 15 per cent below the OECD average.

Yours faithfully. DAVID TRIESMAN, General Secretary, Association of University Teachers, United House, 9 Pembridge Road, WII. July 23.

From Mrs June Brough

Sir. The main justification for charging tuition fees to students is that graduates earn higher than average salaries. The Government has said that students will be expected to take out loans to cover the cost. If students are expected to pay for the cost of their tuition from their own future earnings, why are those students from families with incomes below the £16,000 threshold not required to pay? Are their expectations lower?

Yours faithfully.
JUNE BROUGH. 43 Marshwood Croft. Halesowen, West Midlands. j.m.brough@bham.ac.uk July 24.

From Mrs Gill Muncey

Sir, Surely one outcome of the withdrawal of maintenance grants for higher education students must be a review of the length of the university teaching year. At the University of Sussex the 96/97 terms only lasted for 30 weeks in total - leaving a ridiculously long 22 weeks' vacation over the

The Liniversity of Buckingham already fits degree courses into two years and this practice ought to be extended. The sooner students can get into employment and start earning

and supporting themselves, the better all round. As well as minimising their living-expense debt they can pay it off while they are young and less likely to be married with family responsibil-

Yours faithfully GILL MUNCÉY, 7 Perrots Lane. Stevning, West Sussex, gmuncey@]astnet.co.uk

From the Principal of Concord College

Sir, I much enjoyed today's article by Libby Purves, "University chal-lenges", on the implications of the

Dearing report, Now that UK students are to be required to pay tuition fees, can they and their parents expect regular progress reports? The first that parents hear about an unsatisfactory performance is when the student has lost his place. Overseas students' parents, who pay much higher fees, have long

resented being kept in the dark. University tutors will say that the students are adults and that the contractual relationship is between the student and the university. But universities do report to company sponsors and parents will soon be in the same financial relationship.

Parental involvement at an early stage could help to reduce examination failure and the waste that this

A. L. MORRIS. Principal. Concord College. Acton Burnell Hall, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. July 23.

From Mr Tom Detre

Sir, Tony Blair, as part of his election campaign, put great emphasis on education, education, education. However, it is only now that the small print has emerged: subject to status.

Yours sincerely. TOM DETRE. 16 Littleton Crescent, Harrow, Middlesex. July 24.

#### Voluntary euthanasia

From Professor Emeritus S. John Pirt Sir, The objection of the vice-president of the Royal Society, Professor P. J. liant article by Lord Rees-Mogg (July 7) on research into the cause of BSE is ironical in view of the Royal Society's intention to promote discussion of science in the news media.

Nothing in science could be more controversial than what causes BSE. The fury raised by the challenge to the prion theory by the auto-immune theory of the disease reminds me of Machiavelli's dictum:

There is nothing more difficult to carry out, nor more dubious of success, nor more dangerous to handle, than to initiate a new order of things. For the reformer has enemies in all those who profit by the old order and only lukewarm defenders in all those who would profit by the new.

Yours faithfully, S. JOHN PIRT, 50 Chartfield Avenue, Putney, SWI5. July 16.

#### Defeated MPs

From Mr Geoffrey Warner

Sir. Thirty-seven former Conservative MPs are still looking for a job following their defeat in the general election (report, July 19).
At the time of the 1992 election a

good friend of mine was made redundant by his company. He was the same age (53) as that of the average defeated Tory this time round. After five years and more than a thousand job applications he is still unem-

In order to obtain the miserable benefit to which 37 years as a taxpayer entitles him, my friend has been subjected to all manner of bureaucratic inquisition and humiliation at the behest of a Government which consistently sought to portray the unemployed as workshy scroungers yet whose policies were largely responsible for their plight.

Conservative politicians are too rarely forced to share the privations they inflict upon their fellow-citizens. I have no sympathy for the 37.

Yours faithfully. GEOFFREY WARNER. 19 Wensum Drive. Didcot, Oxfordshire. July 21.

#### Virtually the same?

From Mrs J. Steward

Sir. Although Mr D. O. E. Batten (letter. July 17) may wonder if there is a difference between virtual reality and complete self-delusion, I'm virtually convinced that in reality he needn't worry about it.

Yours faithfully, JILL STEWARD. 23 Orchard Drive. Watford, Hertfordshire. July 17.

daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number -0171-782 5046 e-mail to: letters@the-times.co.uk

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From Mr Russel Ogden

Sir, In his condemnation of Dr Michael Irwin for practising euthanasia, Dr Stuart Horner of the BMA's medical ethics committee shows that he is out of touch with the views of the majority of society and many who suffer from terminal illness (report, July 21).

As an ethnographer I have interviewed scores of terminally ill people who approve of voluntary euthanasia as well as the "back street" euthanasiasts who help them to die.

I am astonished by Dr Horner's assertion that he believes "the General Medical Council and the police would be failing in their duty if they did not look into these allegations". Should Dr Irwin be jailed for life, as the current odious law obliges? What is just or ethical in a criminal law that makes no distinction between the consensual killing of a dying person and the murder of someone who wishes to

Dr Horner, it seems to me, takes his moral guidance from the blunt rule of law. I regard Dr Irwin, on the other hand, as informed by compassion, understanding and a profound respect for the right to self-determination.

Yours sincerely. R. OGDEN. University of Exeter, Department of Sociology, Amory Building. Rennes Drive, Exeter, Devon.

From Dr Elizabeth S. B. Wilson Sir. One of the regular arguments against voluntary euthanasia adation is that its legalisation would destroy the "doctor/patient relationship" of trust, as doctors are known to be bound to save life and not take it away. What balderdash this is.

vanced by the British Medical Associ-

care for his, or her, patient with skill, compassion and integrity. In my view this includes complying with their wishes at the end of life, even if this means their death occurs days, weeks or months before so-called "nature" eventually supervenes.

To describe the death of someone in, intensive care, for example, as "natural" is to stretch the meaning of words beyond their limit, as is Dr Horner's use of the term "execution" in relation to physician-assisted suicide.

Yours etc. ELIZABETH S. B. WILSON, II Westbourne Gardens, Glasgow 12.

From Dr Richard Gordon

Sir. How much easier was life, and death, before people started striking attitudes and forming associations about ethical problems.

Some 50 years ago, as a newly qualified houseman with a tortured conscience, I ventured to kill off my first patient. I instantly and solemnly told the ward sister. "I've just turned off the drip on No i6." "Oh, yes, doctor", she said, "that patient's aiready been dead for half an hour."

I am. etc. RICHARD GORDON. Garrick Club. Garrick Street, WC2. July 21.

#### English in India

From Mr Anthony Read

Sir, Nayantara Sahgal (interview, July 23)) says it was an absurdity that the British should have encouraged Western education in India, since this sowed the seeds of our dissatisfaction". In fact, the sowing of such seeds was deliberate, started as early as 1835 by Lord Macaulay, who stated in his Minute on Indian Education that "the great object of the British Government ought to be the promo-tion of European [ie, English] literature and science among the natives of India". He concluded that "Self-knowledge will lead to self-rule, and that would be the proudest day in British history.

Although it took 112 years for Mac-

growth was largely responsible for making the British Raj unique in colonial and imperial history, helping to shape such men as Mrs Sahgal's uncle, Jawaharlal Nehru. It also fostered an otherwise inexplicable mutual affection, which made August 14, 1947, a proud day not only for India and Pakistan, but also for Britain.

aulay's seeds to reach fruition, their

Somehow, that affection even managed to survive the shameful tragedy that followed a botched and scrambled partition, so that we can all share in celebrating its fiftieth anniversary next month.

ANTHONY READ, 7 Cedar Chase. Taplow, Maidenhead, Berkshire. July 24.

Yours faithfully.

## EU and Estonia

From Ms Monica S. Staaf

Sir, Dr Graham Smith (letter, July 22; see also letters, July 24) claimed that Estonia is mistreating its Russian residents by requiring them to pass an Estonian language test as a prerequisite of citizenship.

It is not surprising that few ethnic Russians speak Estonian. The Soviet government originally encouraged them to move to Estonia as a means of eradicating the cultural and linguistic identity of the Estonian people. To fulfil this goal the Soviets also forced native speakers of Estonian, like my family, to learn Russian in school.

Fortunately, the current Estonian Government is far removed from the former Soviet government instead of facing deportation, prison or torture, ethnic Russians have the right to work in Estonia and travel freely. However, if they wish to claim the full privileges of citizenship, ethnic Russians and other foreigners must be able to read the language that appears on the ballot.

How many other countries would show such generosity to its former op-

MONICA S. STAAF. 13 Thorncroft, Larksfield. Englefield Green, Surrey.

Yours sincerely.

## extremist groups

From Dr Phillip Hallam-Baker

Sir. You report (July 18) that anti-Semitic and far-Right groups, hit by declining numbers, have resorted to seeking international support on the Internet, thereby exposing themselves to scrutiny by law enforcement agencies and other opponents.

The implication that hate groups have had their Internet sites wiped out by "hackers" is a worrying one. Des-pite having been active in the World Wide Web security research community for five years. I am not aware of

any such case.
The tone of your report suggests that such vigilante censorship is an appropriate method of dealing with these groups, but you do not mention that such activities are criminal when carried out from the UK and most

other countries. Those inconvenienced are in any case often not the intended victim. Presumably any unpopular or controversial view could be silenced in a similar manner. Enlightened liberal causes are at least as likely to be

artacked. Hate groups marginalise them-selves when they use arguments transparently based on lies. It is difficult to sustain a claim that the Holocaust did not occur, when rebutted by the Nazis' own words at the Nuremberg trials linked to online texts of the

actual transcripts. PHILLIP HALLAM-BAKER. MIT Laboratory for Artificial Intelligence, 545 Technology Square, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139. hallam@ai.mii.edu July 18.

#### Word perfect

From Mr G. D. Ashley

Sir. Today, at different times whilst listening to the radio, I have heard the descriptions "computer literate" and "computer illiterate" on at least six occasions, it would seem to a person of lowly scientific training that the words "computerate" and "incompu-terate" would fulfil these functions more succinctly.

Yours faithfully (alas incomputerately). G. D. ASHLEY, 27a Westgate, Tickhill, Doncaster, South Yorkshire. July 16.

#### Black redstarts

From Mr David J. Montier

Sir, No doubt the birds reported by Scrivenor ("Inns and Outs", Law, July 22) as nesting at the Royal Courts of Justice were black redstarts, rather than redstarts, their rural relatives.

In the London area, black redstarts will set up territories in a variety of urban or industrial habitats, and records of nesting birds or singing males this summer have come from the millennium exhibition site at Greenwich, Whitehall, Borough High Street and from the roof of the Hippodrome Theatre in Leicester Square.

Yours faithfully, DAVID J. MONTIER (Editor, London Natural History Society Ornithological Bulletin), Eyebrook, Oldfield Road, Bickley, Bromley, Kent. July 22.

#### Sporting psalm

From Mr Anthony Bosanquet

Sir, Our church congregation this morning much enjoyed the singing of Tate and Brady's version of Psalm 42: 'As pants the hart for cooling streams. when heated in the chase".

I found myself wondering whether, like the now abandoned (and wholly unlamented) verse of All things bright and beautiful about the rich man in his castle and the poor man at the gate, this marvellous hymn (to say nothing of the psalm) is shortly destined to join the ranks of the politically incorrect.

I shared this thought with an old friend after the service. "My favourite hymn", he said. Is nothing sacred?

Yours faithfully. ANTHONY BOSANQUET, Dingestow Court, Monmouth.

#### Close of play

From Professor Emeritus Herbert H. Huxley

Sir, In his statement concerning his resignation (report, July 22), the Dean of Lincoln, the Very Reverend Brandon Jackson, seems obsessed with cricket imagery, speaking of his decision "to declare the innings closed" and to seek "other grounds with more favourable wickets".

Clearly he has no use for Sir Henry Newbolt (1802-1938): Play up! play up! and play the game! He seems more attuned to Andrew Lang (1814-1912):

I am the batsman and the bat, I am the bowler and the ball. The umpire, the pavilion car. The roller, pitch, and stumps, and all Yours sincerely

H. H. HUXLÉY. 12 Derwent Close. Cambridge. Calls to the Bar



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

July 24: His Excellency Mr Radu Onofrei was received in audience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador from Romania to the Court of St James's.

Mrs Onofrei was also received by Her Majesty. Sir John Coles (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for For-eign and Commonwealth Affairs)

Sir Denys Henderson (First Crown Estate Commissioneri was

received by The Queen.
His Excellency Mr Antonio
Costa Lobo and Mrs da Costa Lobo were received in farewell audience by Her Majesty and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador from the Portuguese Republic to the Court of St James's.

Mr Lawrence Outes was re-ceived by The Queen when Her Majesty decorated him with the Royal Victorian Medal (Silver). The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace this

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother. The Prince of Wales and The Duke and Duchess of

Gloucester were present.

Her Majesty's Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen-al-Arms and The Queen's Body Guard of the Yeomen of the Guard were on duty.
The Royal Artillery and The

Tank Regiment Cambrai Bands played selections of music during

the afternoon.

The Duke of Edinburgh, President, City and Guilds of London Institute, this morning presented the 1997 City and Guilds Prince Philip Medal and Silver and Bronze Medals at Buckingham Palace and afterwards attended a Luncheon at the Connaught Hotel, Carlos Place, London WI.

His Royal Highness. Patron and Trustee, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, and Pairon. Outward Bound Trust, this evening attended a Dinner at the Grosvenor House Hotel, Park Lane, London

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** 

July 34: The Duke of York, Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Irish Regiment, this afternoon received Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Sloane upon relinquishing his appoint-ment as Commanding Officer, 9th Battalion and Lieutenant-Colonel Neil Baverstock upon assuming

Alterwards The Duke of York received Major Elizabeth Towell upon relinquishing her appointment as Temporary Equerry to His Royal Highness and Major Mark Ewing upon assuming the

appointment.
The Duke of York, Patron, this evening took the Salute at the Royal Tournament. Earls Court,

KENSINGTON PALACE July 34: The Princess Margares, Countess of Snowdon, Colonel-in-Chief, today visited The Light Dragrons at Haig Barracks, Bergen-Hohne, Germany.
Mrs Charles Vyvyan and Major
the Lord Napier and Ettrick were

KENSINGTON PALACE

July 24: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, President, The Queen's Nursing Institute, this afternoon received Mrs Martin Acland, Chairman of the Council. YORK HOUSE

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE July 24: The Duke of Kent this morning visited Notcutts Nors-eries Limited, Ipswich Road, Woodbridge, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Sulfolk (the Lord Belstead).

Suffolk (the Lord Belstead).

Her Royal Highness this afternoon opened the Abbeyfield Orwell Society's Paddy Greere House, Congreve Road, Ipswich.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

July 24: Princes Alexandra, Pa-tron, this evening attended a Service of Thanksgiving and Celebration to mark the Thirtieth Anniversary of St Christopher's Hospice at Southwark Cathedral, London SEI.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint the Venerable lan Russell as Chaplain to Her Majesty.

#### in absentia

Lincoln's Inn

Miss L. Taye Wei Ching, Buiki Bandar
Raya, Kuala Lumptir, Malaysia: Mer A

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Miss Tch Yuen Ting, Parishore,
Singapore; Miss Low Geok Ping,
Taman Setapak, Ruala Lumpur,
Malaysia; Tai Cheh Seak, Melaka,
Malaysia; Miss Jaya Bee
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Hong, Banu Laves, Malaysia; Miss
Lim Pul Keng, Shah Alam, Selangor,
Malaysia; Miss Saw Hool Lee,
Tatijung Bungab, Penang, Malaysia;
Miss F A Zaharudin, Kelana Jaya,
Selangor, Malaysia; Miss Gan Sye Ni,
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Malaysia; Miss J Lim Har Ean, Johor
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Telok Kurau, Singapore: Ong Teng
Kok, Singapore, Wong Soon Chee,
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### Memorial service

The Speaker read a lesson at a service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir Michael Shersby. held yesterday at St Margaret's held yesterday at St Margards.
Church, Westminster Abbey.
Canon Donald Gray officiated,
assisted by the the Rev Roger
Holloway, Priest Vicar, Mrs Ian
Geldard (Lucy Sheesby), daughter, Geldard (Lucy Shersby), daughter, and Mr Julian Shersby, son, also read lessons. Mr Michael Howard, QC, MP, gave an address. The Rev P.I. Millam and the Rev Philip Robinson were robed and in the Sanctuary.

Baroness Thatcher, LG, OM, FRS. Mr John Major MP, the

FRS. Mr John Major, MP, the Leader of the HM Opposition and the Deputy Lord Mayor of West-

minster attended. Among others present wise.
Lady Shersby (widow), Mrs D W Adams (sister), Mr Ian Geldard (sonin-law), Mr and Mrs Peter Hynes, Mr and Mrs Timothy Lancaster, Ms Flong Moath, Mr and Mrs Oswald Mondaunt.

in-law, Mr and Mrs Peter Hynte. Mr
and Mrs Timothy Lancisce. Ms
fione Moate, Mr and Mrs Cowald
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Lord and Lady Ashbourne, Lord
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Roardman, Lord Feldman, Lord
Carlisle of Bucklow, QC, Lord
Hayhoe, Baroness Hooper, Lord
Jopling, Baroness Miller of Hendon,
Lord Montistone, Lord Funmer of St.
Marylebone, Lord Reston, QC, Lord
Russell-Johnston, Lord and Lady
Shaw of Northstead, Lord Waddington, QC, Lord Weatherill,
The Hon Peter Brooke, Crf. MP, the
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Mr Tom King, Ch. MP, the Hon
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Lady Waring.
Sir Richard Body, MP, Sir Sydney
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MP and Lady Courneck, Sir John
and Lady Loveridge, Sir Michael
Marshall, Sir Pergus Mongomery,
Sir Michael and Lady Neaben, Sir
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### Forthcoming marriages

and Miss L.J. Kyle The engagement is announced between Simon, elder son of Mr and Mrs John Beardmore, of Somerford, Cheshire, and Louise, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Kyle, of Congleton.

Mr M. Ludiam and Miss I.A. Money

The engagement is announced between Matthew, son of Mr and Mrs John Ludlam, of Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire, and Imogen Alice, daughter of Mr Martin Victoria Orr-Ewing, of Cowes, Isle

Mr LPJ. Vrancken

and Miss C.M. Morley between Laurens Peter Jan. son of of Lanaken-Neerharen, Belgium, and Charlotte Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Morley, of Twickenham, Middlesex.

Mr S. Walker

and Miss R. Woodhend The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr and Mary, Berkshire, and Rebocca. daughter of Mr and Mrs James Woodhead, of Inkpen, Berkshire.

and Miss S.A. Carros The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr and Mrs Brian Wood, of Kenilworth, Warwickshire, and Sarah, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Byron Carron, of Wanborough, Wiltshire. Mr N.P. Wraith

and Miss E.J. Cockett The engagement is announced

Captain and Mrs Richard Wraith. of Tavistock. Devon, and Emily, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Stephen Cockett, of Exeter, Devon. De Heer Mr Drs D.D. Zahavi

The engagement is announced between Daniel son of Mordechai

Zahavi, of Ronerdam, and Betsy Zahavi, of Rotterdam, and Deborah, youngest daughter of Martin and Dianne Swanwick, of

#### Lord Levene of Portsoken

The life barony conferred upon Sir Peter Keith Levene has been gazetted by the name, style and title of Baron Levene of Portsoken, of Portsoken in

#### Today's royal engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh will unveil a memorial to Sir Francis Chich-ester at the West Hoe Pier. Plym-outh, to mark the completion of his solo circumnavigation of the world in 1967, at 10.15; and as Admiral of the Fleet, will visit HMS Raleigh Tarpoint. Cornwall at 11.00. Later he will attend the Flying Fifteen Association reception at the Commodore's House, Cowes, at 6.40. The Duke of York will present the Duke of York's Headquarters,

Cheisea at 11.00. The Princess Royal will officially open the Country Landowners Association's Game Fair. Castle Ashby. Northamptonshire, at 10.45.

Princess Alexandra, as President, Imperial Cancer Research Fund, will attend the charity race day at Ascot Racecourse, Berkshire at NOOTE.

#### New ambassadors

Mr Christopher Meyer to be Ambassador to the United States of America from October in succession to Sir John Kerr who becomes Permanent Under-Secretary of State and Head of the Diplomatic Service in November. Mr Paul Lever to be Ambassadoe to Germany from the end of the year in succession to Mr Meyer.

#### Birthdays today

Lord Nicholas Windsor celebrates his 27th birthday today. Mr Gordon Bayley, former presi-

dent, Institute of Actuaries, 77; Sir Clifford Boulton, former Clerk of the House of Commons, 67; Mr Dallas Bower, television producer and director, 90; Mr Clive Bradley, and offector, 40; Mr Cive Bradley, chief executive, Publishers' Association, 63; Mr James Butler, sculptor, 66; Sir William Coats, former chairman, Coats Patons, 73; Mr Roy Collard, Headmaster, Work-Mr Jon Gabitass, Headmaster,

Merchant Taylors' School, Northwood, 53; the Hon Lady Goodhart, Principal, Queen's College, London, 58; Sir Charles Gor-don, former Clerk of the House of Commons, 79; Sir Kenneth Macdonald, civil servant, 67; Mr D.R. Morris, former chairman, Northern Electric, 63; Professor W.R. Niblett, educationist. 91: Sir Derek Palmar, former president, Bass, 78: the Earl of Portsmouth, 43;

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poet, guillotined, Paris, 1794; Wil-liam Romaine, theologian; and preacher, London, 1795; Charles Dibdin, composer, actor-manager, London, 1814; John Emery, actor and painter, London, 1822; Samuel Taylor Coleridge, poet, London, 1834; Charles Macintosh, pioneer of water-proofing, Glasgow, 1843; Louis Bonaparte, King of Holland 1806-10. Leghorn, 1846; Henry Mayhew, journalist, co-founder of Punch, London, 1887: Engelbert Dollfuss, Chancellor of Austria. 1932-34, assassinated by Nazis, Vienna, 1934; Francois Coty, perfume manufacturer, Louvech Seine-et-Oise, 1934; Louis St Laurent, Prime Minister of Canada 1948-57, Quebec, 1973.

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#### Service

dinners HMS Victory

Admiral Sir Michael Boyce, Second See Lord and Commander-In-Cities Naval Home Command. was the host at a dinner held last night onboard his flagship HMS

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Sir Brian and Lady Brown, Mr
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John Brigstocke, Flag Officer Surface Florilla. Captain R.A.G. Clare, RN, Commanding Officer, presided. RAF Strike Command

A dining in night was held last night at RAF High Wycombe to mark the retirement of Air Chief Marshal Sir William Wratten, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chie Strike Command, Air Marshall G.A. Robertson, Chief of Staff and Deputy Commander in Chief Strike Command, presided, Sir William also spoke. Serving and retired air officers and officers. Strike Command station com-

manders and personal friends

#### Dinner

Army Board Dr Lord Gilbert, Minister of State for Defence Procurement, was the host at a dinner given by the Army Board last night at HM Tower of London in meet Lieutenamt-Gen-

condon in meet Lieutenant-General John Sanderson, Chief of Army Australia. Among those present were.

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Altens - On July 22nd 1997, at Aldring am Court Number Home, Suffelk, Elizabeth (née Robertson), aged 87, wife of the late Dennis Haines. Committee private, followed by Thanksquing at Aldeburgh Frank Church at 12 soon on Monday 4th August. No flowers, please, but donations if desired to Aldeburgh PCC c/o Tony Browns Fuheral Service, Secundalam, Buffelt IP17

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INOWN - Elizabeth inwise (Betty), peacefully at home on 22nd july, aged 87 years. Widow of Alan, much loved by her sons Michael, feter, David and Andrew, her daughters-in-law and seven grandchildren. Private cremation, followed by thankspiring service for all friends in Worceser College Oxford at 2.30 pm on Thursday 31st July. No flavers danstons if destred to Marie Curie Cancer Care, 28 Belgrave Square, London SWIX 3QC. BLANKEY - On 23rd July st Stonecross Nursing Rome, Kendal, Michael John Heweston Bunney aged 90 years, architect and farmer, late of Ravenstonedale, Cumbria, Enguirles: 0171 267 3035 or 01734 871751. him so well Drendfully missed by me all Puneral Service will take place on Monday 28th July 1997 at Minday 28th July 1997 at Wilmslow Parish Church, Church Street at 11 am prior to committed at Minday Period Crematorium, Gid Chapel, Barlow Moor Road. No flowers please by request. Donations if desired to Manningford Trust. Thanksgiving Service later in Scotland, date to be announced. All donations and enquiries to Albert E. Stack (FD) Ltd. 84 South Oak Lane. Wilmslow, Cheshire SE9 6AT. Tel: Wilmslow (D1625) 525063. STILEN - Antenia Callin, Sec GATES - G.M. (Tony), dearly leved tables of Element and Function and generalizer of Lucy, Andrew, Henry, Died peacefully at home July 23rd. Pursual at St Marys, Shalford, Guildford, on 1st August 11 am.

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KEMP - Wing Commander Compton William Kemp O.B.C. (www.) died peochuly on 22nd play 1997 aged 87. Funeral Service at Southempson Communica. East Chapes, on Inseyday 29th july at 3 pm. Flowers may be sent cfo R. Hallem & Son, 185 Long Lane, Holbury, Southampton.

Catherine's Hospica, Scarborough, Formerly of Sheffield University, on Wednesday 23rd July, John aged 78 years, Loved hashand of Mary, Jather of Anthony and David and loved hoother, father-in-law and gamdiather. Service et 1.15 pm on Wednesday 30th July at St. Mary's Church, Scarborough, followed by cremation at Woodlands Crematolous, Scarborough, Familie flowery only. Cremetorium, Scarborough.
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## **BRIAN GLOVER**

Brian Glover, actor, died from a brain tumour yesterday aged 63. He was born on April 2, 1934.

which launched his screen career, and his even better known starring role as the voice of the Gaffer behind the Tetley tea television advertisements, Brian Glover had been Shake-Pepearean actor television scriptwriter and schoolmaster. But the experience which, he always said, gave him the confidence to succeed was the twenty years he spent in the ring, as a professional wres-

For ten of those years Glover led an extraordinary double.

life. Between 9am and 4pm each day he was the English and French master in a Yorkshire grammar school. But unknown to his staffroom colleagues, as soon as the school day was over, he was: transformed into Leon Arras, jet-setting professional wres-tier, and a star of the rings of Paris, Zurich and Milan. Every afternoon he would drive to Leeds, take a train to London and from there fly to whatever venue beckoned him with wrestling action. A few fast falls, the plaudits of the crowd, the pocketing of a cheque, and Leon Arras would be back in Barnsley by the following morning to resume the only role in which his colleagues knew him.

apparently ordinary school was, in its turn, to spring a surprise on Glover. For it was another schoolmaster, Barry Hines, who was to enable Glover to line his pockets even more spectacularly than he had already done through his wrestling. Unknown to his colleagues, Hines had been a first educine [14] beavering away at a novel which was finally to see the light of day as A Kestrel for a Knave in 1968. In the following year, its potential was realised by the producer Tony Garnett and the celebrated film Kes was born, with Glover chosen to play Sugden, the overbearing games master in a north-

Yet the staff room of that

ern school. For Glover it was the beginning of a career that was to take him out of the staff room for ever. His tough, yet somehow, simultaneously cherubic

Roy Gregory, CBE, QC,

civil servant and lawyer,

died on July 4 aged 81. He was born on

January 16, 1916,

ROY GREGORY will long be

remembered in legal circles

for his enormous contribution

to the practice of the county

courts. The system came into

being exactly 150 years ago.

and Gregory was actively en-gaged in working with and in-

years.



features were soon familiar to TV audiences throughout the country, in series such as Porridge, while in films he teamed up with John Wayne in Brannigan and had roles in fare such as An American

Werewolf in London. Brian Glover was born in Sheffield, but he grew up in Barnsley where his father kept a corner shop. Glover senior also had a double life as a wrestler, celebrated locally under the ring name the Red Devil.

It was a basic but not a deprived upbringing. Brian won a scholarship to Barnsley. Grammar School from where he obtained a place at Sheffield University. But the wrestling pedigree

soon supervened. One night a promoter rang him with the offer of a bout at Wilmslow. Cheshire, where the billed fighter Leon Arras had just pulled out. For the night Glover was, then, "Leon Arras - from Paris, France". Alas for his university stud-

south London, and woo a

scholarship to the Strand

School. At the age of 17 he took

the Civil Service clerical exam,

coming third out of more than

Posted to Wandsworth County Court, he determined

to master county court proce-

dure, and used to time himself

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ies, the money was too tempting. As Glover said later: "When a man on a £220-a-year grant can earn £100 for a few minutes' work at the Albert Hall, then his academic career is in some jeopardy." Glover

left Sheffield to wrestle fulltime, only later realising that it was not a trade he could expect to ply for very many years. At that point he took a teacher training qualification as insurance, and began his double life as a schoolmaster-wrestler. When he was not impersonating Leon Arras, he was billed as "The Man of Iron from the Town of Steel".

The astounding success of Kes, a moving story of a small boy and his pet kestrel, set in an unsparingly realistic northern background, might completely have emancipated Glover from the wrestling ring. But he continued to enjoy the sport, turning it to good account in several film and television roles. His physical robustness stood him in good stead in

**ROY GREGORY** 

From October 1941 to April

1942 he served with the Royal

Army Medical Corps, return-

ing to Lambeth County Court

following his discharge on medical grounds. In 1947, he

was appointed secretary to the

Austin Jones Committee on

County Court Procedure, So.

successfully did he do his

work that immediately after

this committee had reported

he was appointed secretary to

the Evershed Committee on

Supreme Court Practice and

part of his role to be roughed up by John Wayne, Other film roles besides An American Werewolf in London (1981) included Alien 3 (1992) and Leon the Pig Farmer (also

Brannigan (1975) where it was

But he was most familiar to British audiences for his appearances in séries such as the jail comedy Porridge which starred Ronnie Barker. He also had occasional appearances in Dixon of Dock Green, The Return of the Saint and Minder.

More recently he had played the dour Magersfontein Lugg, giving a wonderfully jaundiced performance as the excriminal minder of Margery Allingham's suave detective in the series Campion. In 1993-94, he took the role of Selwyn Price, the friendly ex-wrestler neighbour of the pretty, impulsive young woman private detective in the television series made from the Anna Lee novels (in which Imogen Stubbs sparkily played the

Procedures, which sat from 1949 to 1953, in 1950 he was

In 1949, Roy Gregory was

invited to join the editorial

team working on Butter-worth's County Court Prac-

tice, an annual publication for

practitioners in the county

courts, familiarly known as

the Green Book. He was a

meticulous and resourceful

editor, and he continued work-

ing on the publication to the time of his death. Despite the

continuous expansion of the

jurisdiction of the county

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called to the Bar.

eponymous heroine).

Yet in spite of all this achievement, and a by no means negligible stage career which included roles in the classics at the Royal Shakespeare and Royal National Theatres, the name of Brian Glover is, to many, symonymous with two famous Yorkshire voices. These were those of the Gaffer intoning "Tetleys mek teabags mek tea" and that for Allinson's bread products: Bread, wi' nowt tekken owt". He did not mind. "The ads are me pension and it's a good Yorkshire product," he remarked with characteristic northern pragmatism.

Glover first had surgery for brain tumour last September, but had been able to return to work afterwards. Last May he had to return to hospital for further treatment.

Brian Glover is survived by his second wife Tara Prem and by their son, as well as by the daughter he had by his first wife; that marriage was dissolved.

courts, Gregory ensured that the Green Book never expand-

In 1950 he began helping

with the County Court Rules Committee, of which he be-

came secretary in 1962. He

also served on the working

party revising the rules of the

Supreme Court, which led to

the 1965 rules, which are still

in force. After divorce jurisdic-

tion was given to county

courts, he rewrote the Matri-

monial Causes rules to apply

to high courts and county courts, and devised a "special

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ed beyond one volume.

#### **MARGOT WALMSLEY**

Margot Walmsley former managing editor of Encounter, died yesterday aged 83. January 21, 1914.

UNTIL the very end of her life, Margot Walmsley was one of London's great party-givers. The salon in her Kensingion flat began in the 1950s as a lively extension of her job as managing editor of the now defunct Encounter magazine; but it took on a life of its own, and during the past 40 years innumerable literary and political friendships have been formed and nourished there.

She was born in London of Scottish parents. As a girl she lived in Maida Vale - "the respectable end", she would say and received a convent education. She took a few tentative steps in Fleet Street journalism just before the war, but the decisive move in her life came when she accepted an invitation from Irving Kristol to join Encounter in 1953, its first year. There, under a series of brilliant but unruly editors, and amid repeated storms of controversy, she maintained order and calm.

From the start her parties were glinering affairs, at which Kristol, an American who was co-editor of Encounter along with Stephen Spender, had the chance to meet English writers and intellectuals, and at which visiting Americans such as Lionel Trilling and Daniel Bell could be entertained. Many young writers who have since become eminent were also part

of her cast-list. It was Margot's personality and style as a hostess that gave the parties their character. First, there was the informality. Margot's flat was only a small one on the top floor of a Kensington terrace. When guests arrived and rang the street doorbell, a window opened and some keys wrapped in a scrap of paper came hurtling down. In the

lamplight, distinguished venerable figures, such as Victor the salon. Margot only invited Pritchett or Freddie Ayer. could be seen peering beneath parked cars to retrieve them.

Inside, the wine was modest but abundant, and there was always a gigantic decenter of whisky sitting on a vide-table. Margor kept the glasses re-lentlessly full. She also in-troduced her guests to each other tirelessly. If they had already been introduced twice that evening, or were husband and wife, so much the better. it reinforced the flow of affection and the hilarity of the evening. Guests rarely left before having met everyone

Friendship and generosity

people she liked, but she had such an enormous capacity for liking that at one time or another she invited practically everybody she met. She rarely spoke an unkind word of anybody. Her genuine kindheartedness also extended to many elderly, homebound or bedridden friends who could not come to her parties, but whom she frequently visited. Her warmth of spirit concealed two tragedies in her life. Her husband, Geoffrey Walmsley, killed himself because of ill-health, and her

son. Alaric, committed suicide at the age of 19 in his first year



#### **PROFESSOR CHONE SHMERUK**

Chone Shmeruk. Emeritus Professor of Yiddish at the Hebrew iversity of Jerus died in Warsaw on July 5 aged 76. He was born there on January 5, 1921.

THE world's foremost scholar of Yiddish literature and folklore, Chone Shmeruk was Yiddish, English and Polish in culture. His many books and articles elucidated the field of Old Yiddish, the early Hasidic movement and its social significance in the Jewish community structure of Eastern

oldest known text, dated 1272, to the writings of Isaac Bashevis Singer - the only Yiddish writer to receive the

Chone Shmeruk was born One of Gregory's most notatem of small claims arbitration introduced in 1973. This brainchild of his has worked so well that it now handles more than 70 per cent of all civil disputes. Lord Woolf's reforms take the success of the starting point. Gregory was

appointed CBE in 1973. In 1979 he formally retired iled to Uzbekhistan. from the Civil Service, but was asked to chair the working party on the revision of the county court rules. The 1981 rules which were the result are still in use. In 1982, in a singular mark of recognition. he was appointed Queen's

Gregory was a keen musiclover and opera-goer. He was twice married. In 1949, he married Olive Gay, by whom he had one son. She died in 1973, and in 1974 he married Charlotte Goddard. She and his son both survive him.

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versions. Shmeruk reconstructed the text and provided duced a similar work on a masterly analysis of its Yiddish books printed in Italy. smichire

Then he edited the original (who wrote under the pseudo-

Europe. He covered the whole area of Yiddish literature, from the Nobel Prize for Literature.

in Warsaw into a prosperous family that was partly traditional and partly involved in the Jewish Socialist Party the Bund. When the Germans invaded Poland in 1939, part of the family escaped to the Soviet Union, But his parents and a sister perished in the death camp at Treblinka. Those who escaped were ex-

Shmeruk arrived in Israel in 1949 and studied history and literature at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. His doctoral dissertation was on The Jews In Byelo-Russia and the Jewish Agricultural Settle-ments 1918-1925. He was appointed to a lectureship in 1957 and became a professor in 1961.

His first substantial work (written in Yiddish) was on Yitzhok Leibush Peretz's symbolistic play Night in the Old Market. The play's text is difficult: there are a number of

Hebrew writings of the Jewish humorist Sholem Aleichem, and followed this with an edition of the correspondence between the "father" of both modern Yiddish and modern Hebrew literature. Shalom Yakov Abramovitch

nym "Mendele the Book-



seller") and the Hebrew poet Chaim Nachman Bialik. In 1978 he produced his

masterpiece, Chapters in Yiddish Literature, in which he demonstrated the central place of ethical religious elements in early Yiddish, and in the marginal secular litera-

In 1981 Shmeruk published the definitive work on Old Yiddish literature in Poland from its beginnings, which included a study of the hagiographic biography (first published in 1815) of Israel Ba'al Shemtov, who founded the Hasidic movement in the Ukraine in the first half of the

discovering in the process two unknown Yiddish books in the British Library, which had been printed in Venice in 1551. A detailed bibliography of Yiddish publications in the Sovier Union appeared in 1961. It is an indispensable reference work. He also published many articles on individual Soviet Yiddish writers. Especially important are those on the Yiddish poets and novelists shot by Stalin in August 1952. As a tribute to them, he edited the valuable anthology A Shpigl oil a Shtain (A Mirror on a Stone", 1964).

18th century. He later pro-

The bilingual anthology of modern Yiddish verse, which he edited with Irving Howe and Ruth Wisse, appeared in 1987. It confirmed Shmeruk's reputation as the leading authority on Yiddish culture from its medieval beginnings on the Rhine down to modern times. During his last few years he had been working on a monograph on Isaac Bashevis Singer.

In 1993 scholars, friends and former students of his published a Festschrift in his honour in three languages -Hebrew, English and Yiddish. Shmeruk was a member of the Israel Academy of Science and was awarded the State of Israel Prize.

He had a quiet sense of humour, was always elegantly dressed and was a regular visitor to London and Oxford: he had many friends in Britain.

His first wife. Myra, died in 1990. He is survived by his second wife, Krystina, by two daughters from his first marriage and by the son from his

second.

#### MOON MEN RETURN TO EARTH UPSIDE DOWN BUT SAFE

From the News Team, Houston, July 24 The Apollo II astronauts are home, back safe and well after their historic journey that took Mr. Neil Arrastrong and Colonel Edwin Aldrin to the surface of the Moon in mankind's most spectacular achievement.

The command module - all that is left of the mighty assembly that blasted off from Cape Kennedy on July 16—dropped into the choppy Pacific seas at 5.50 p.m. B.S.T. It landed upside down, soroe 13 miles from the prime recovery ship, but righted itself within a few minutes . . .

The spacecraft hit the corridor -- the narrow angle of re-entry through which the craft has to travel if it is not either to skip off into space or burn up — dead on time. Some 14 minutes before splashdown there was the usual loss of signal as the craft entered the atmosphere bearing its precious cargo of

Two minutes later mission control reported that they had a visual contact. A small heatshield popped away. to release the parachule system Eight minutes before splashdown, the men on board the carrier

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On July 21 Apollo 11 landed on the Moon with Neil Armstrong remarking, "That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind". The landing was the successful culmination of President Kennedy's declaration, "I believe this making a kennedy successful to a landing or nation should commit itself . to a landing on the Moon".

Hornet saw the red glow in the sky, before it

vanished behind clouds. A grey dawn was beginning to break as the crew released their drogue parachutes to slow and stabilise their fall, and the double sonic boom rolled across the sea. At 10,000 feet they released their main parachutes, and the huge

orange and white canopies blossomed. The swimmers who had to fasten a collar on the craft to keep it affoat, and to anchor the capsule, dropped from their helicopters. Unlike the procedure on other recovery missions, the astronauts had to wait for their special Biological Isolation garments to be

handed through the hatch. These are part of the quarantine procedure which they will have to endure for the next 18 days. Lieutenant-Colonel Michael Collins re-

ported: "Excellent, All crew excellent, Take your time", as the Hornet churned towards the capsule with its court of hovering The astronauts had an eight-minute wait

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Sixty-three minutes after splash-down all three men were on board the recovery helicopter and off the raft, which together with its equipment was to be sunk 18,000 feet to the bottom of the ocean.

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#### NEWS

#### Scots Parliament plan acclaimed

THE biggest change in relations between Scotland and the rest of the UK for nearly 300 years was heralded with publication of plans for an Edinburgh Parliament with powers to raise tzes and pass its own laws.

Donald Dewar, the Scottish Secretary, said that the new Parliament, to be up and running in 2000, would strengthen the unity of the UK. But Tories said the proposals were dangerous, damaging and dishonest., ...Pages I, II

#### Glimmer of hope for Hindley

Myra Hindley's hopes of eventual release improved when the Lords ruled that Michael Howard had no right to increase the minimum term imposed on another double killer. Hindley is one of a number of prisoners who have had their "tariffs" increased to a "whole life" sentence..

#### Mother arrested

A British woman who ran away to Florida with her 14-year-old son's best friend has been told she faces 20 years in jail after admitting to police that she had a yearlong affair with the boy .... Page I

#### Cunanan suicide

The serial killer Andrew Cunanan shot himself on a Miami Beach houseboat three miles from the mansion where he murdered Gianni Versace. His body was found by police and FBI agents and the gun at his side was "similar" to that used in five .... Pages I, 15

#### Radio 4 upheavai

BBC governors sanctioned one of the biggest overhauls in the history of Radio 4. Up to 20 programmes, some in place for decades, face the axe........Page 2

#### No conspiracy

A woman who advises Labour on how to attract more women to Parliament has had a claim for racial discrimination rejected after being told that she had lost touch with reality. Her judgment had been "so clouded by feminist and anti-racist beliefs" that she saw racist conspiracies where none existed

#### Losing battle

Thousands of Second World War veterans held in prison camps in Germany and Italy have lost their fight to reclaim money that was deducted from their pay... Page 5 Virginia...

#### Rapid results

A series of "one-stop" clinics where women can be screened for breast cancer and receive the results within three hours are to be opened as part of a £10 million effort to improve detection of the

#### Opera distress

Genista Mackintosh told MPs that deep unhappiness and distress, rather than ill health, led her to resign after four months as Royal Opera House chief executive. She said: "Had I continued. I might have become ill" .... Page 8 Blushing brides

Almost half the couples who choose a traditional white wedding in church already live together, according to government statistics. The proportion rises to three-quarters for those opting for a civil ceremony... \_Page 10

#### Nazi hunt

Nazi-hunters claimed that several names on the list of dormant Swiss bank account holders published this week matched those of German war criminals. One was said to be an aide to Adolf Eichmann\_

#### Final journey

The Italian Air Force is to fly the body of Joseph O'Deil from America to Sicily after lastminute interventions by the Pope and the Rome Government failed to halt his execution in

#### Black and white identity parade

Police planning to put extortion suspect Martin Kamara in an identity parade could not find other tall, balding black men to join him. So they recruited seven whites. When Mr Kamara complained, the others had their faces blacked by a make-up artist - who neglected to paint their hands. The parade was abandoned and Mr Kamara subsequently cleared ....... Page I



Mo Mowlam, the Northern Ireland Secretary, comforts Vincent Hanna's widow Joan at a memorial service for the broadcaster in Belfast.

#### BUSINESS

Guinness: Bernard Arnault, the Frenchman who intervened in the Guinness-Grand Met merger, believes he can improve on their cost ...Page 23

Economy: The Bank of England should resist another immediate rate rise, the shadow monetary policy committee says, adding that it should pause and reflect ... Page 23 Polly Peck: Elizabeth Forsyth, former aide to Asil Nadir, is planning her business comeback after the High Court threw out a civil action against her ... .....Page 23

Markets: The FT-SE 100 Index fell 11.6 points to close at 4862.9. Sterling's trade-weighted index fell from 106.6 to 106.3 after a fall from \$1.6810 to \$1.6732 and from

Cricket: England scored 106 for three on a rain-interrupted opening day of the fourth Test against Australia at Headingley. Michael Atherton was 34 not out ...... Page 44

Football: Brighton and Hove Albion clung on to their Football League status by 47 votes to 17, with eight abstensions, at an extraordinary general meeting of the

Cycling: Jan Ullrich, leader in the Tour de France, experienced his most uncomfortable moments since donning the yellow jersey during the 18th stage ...... Page 38 Tennis: The men of Hampshire

and Isle of Wight built an unassailable lead at Eastbourne to lift the inter-county cup for the first time in DM3.0712 to DM3.0625 ... Page 26 | their centenary year ........ Page 42 | tract. Is he worth it? ......... Page 33

#### - 10 to Take-off-Sir Norman Foster's fabulous new building for the Ameri-

Prom pair: The BBC Symphony Orchestra on fine form in a short Xenakis commission; plus education and entertainment from the four-man percussion group En-

can Air Museum at Duxford is

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Ripping rap: Best of the week's new pop albums is No Way Out by Puff Daddy, who combines heavyweight rap with a pragmatic commercial ear ...

Sheer poetry: Murray Lachlan Young is the humorous and hugely ambitious performance, poet who has signed a £1 million record con-

**TOMORROW** 

IN THE TIMES

#### DIRECTORY Parties to order:

how to have . extravagant parties, at a price

■ MAGAZINE What attracts women to gangsters? Robert Crampton talks to a hard man and his girl

## Cheers: How an English post-

man's son became one of America's wine experts and took charge of a 64 million cellar Page 16 liess stress: "Occasionally a man must be big enough to step back and see exactly where his wife was wrong: it's his way of making her life a little less stressful," says Joe

Dampener: Erica Wagner's do-ityourself intentions got off to a good start when she joined a DIY course at college. Then the place was flooded and the course was cancelled.

Book now: The summer holidays are the ideal opportunity to encourage young readers. Susan Elkin offers parents a guide to what entertaining literature they should

Adding up: Doug McAvoy questions an apparent emphasis on mathematics and English in pri-mary school teaching ....... Page 35

There will not now be a trade war between the EU and the US. After a long night of negotiations, the European Commission and Boeing reached agreement. This is proof for both sides. The fusion of Boeing and McDonnell gives them cent of the market, while Airbus gains access to the US market and time to develope the A-3XX air--El Mundo, Madrid

#### RADIO & TV

Preview: Clive Anderson as you may not have seen him before. Hypotheticals (BBCZ, 7pm). Review: Matthew Bond on Nick Nairn's real agenda... Pages 46, 47

## OPINION

#### A hard bargain

The White Paper, Scotland's Parliament, brings devolution within Scots' grasp but, even if it passes smoothly into law, that will not be the end of the business ..... Page 19

#### A change of priorities \$

If a reordering of expenditure can ever be achieved, it is worth trying now, before what the Treasury calls "departmentalitis" sets

#### Tears in Rome:

Italians are quietly proud of their sense of forgiveness in capital cases. In this respect, Rome perceives itself as superior to Richmond. The execution of O'Dell will reinforce that assertion .... Page 19

#### MATTHEW PARRIS

Labour has always been, and remains, a party of orthodoxy. The huge change we have recently seen is a change in the substance of Labour's orthodoxy ...... Page 18 JOHN LLOYD

Will Mr Blair become committed to the idea of proportional representation? And if he does, will he have the nerve to convert his party to an idea whose implementation may be. painful to its prospects?.... Page 18 MICHAEL BELOFF

Oxford should dispel any impression that it is "a fat cat university". Oxford is not seeking to be protected for privilege: it asks to be equipped for efficiency ..... Page 18 THOMAS STUTTAFORD

Some authorities have ordained that life-prolonging anti-cancer drugs are not the best way of spending scarce resources. Doctors accept that funds are not limitless, but they resent being asked to conceal from their patients new therapertic preparations......Page 7

Brian Glover, actor: Margot Walmsley, literary hostess; Roy Gregory, lawyer, Professor Chone Shineruk, Yiddish scholar Page 21

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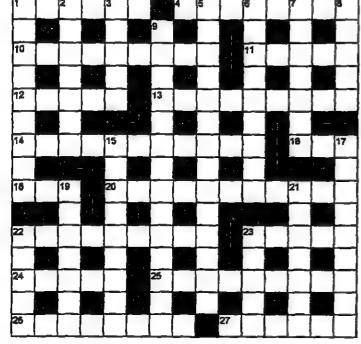
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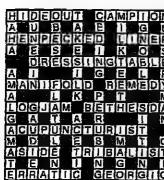
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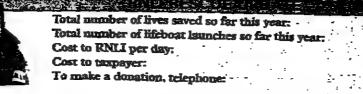
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## The different faces — and jobs — of Sir Colin Marshall



Man for the jobs: Sir Colin with Philip Cushing, chief executive of Inchcape; meeting Director-General Adair Turner and Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, at the CBI; with Bob Ayling, chief executive at BA



By Jon Ashworth

ANOTHER day, another board meeting for Sir Colin Marshall, who yesterday added to his impressive collection of directorships. Sir Colin, President of the Confederation of British Industry

for red ties, has been appointed chairman-designate of Siebe, the UK engineering group. He succeeds Barrie Stephens, who steps down as chairman next year after presiding over years of spectacular growth. Siebe's shares, 271p in 1993, closed at £10.15 yesterday.

planned with care, so as not to frighten his secretary. He joins the board in January, but fully succeeds Mr Stephens in May, coinciding with the end of his two-year term as CBI president. This aside, he is hardly lacking in appointments (or directors' fees), earning

chairman of British Airways, and adorning multifarious boards. Sir Colin, who will be 64 in November, is non-executive chairman of Inchcape, deputy chairman British Telecommunications, and a non-executive director of HSBC Holdings. He is also a director of the New York Stock

Exchange and of Qantas, the Australian airline. Speaking from his office in London's Berkeley Square yester-

day, Sir Colin said he thrived in his various roles: "I find that under present circumstances I'm able to cope, I think, reasonably well. I'm a

putting in quite long hours, and I'm perfectly happy and perfectly healthy to keep on doing it. And I enjoy doing it."

The CBI role, for which Sir Colin is not paid, takes up "quite a fair evenings are taken up with speak-

## Arnault digs in on drinks merger

BY DOMINIC WALSH

BERNARD ARNAULT, the panies. Combining the three LVMH chief who controls more than 10 per cent of Guinness and Grand Metropolitan, said yesterday he was determined to thwart the planned £24 billion merger rather than compromise his stand.

M Amault said the princi-. ple of his proposal, which envisages a separately quoted company combining LVMH's Moet Hennessy with the drinks arms of Guinness and GrandMet, was "not negotiable". However, it appeared last night that the two British companies may be able to push though the merger even

if M Arnault tries to block it. The only element he wasopen to discussion on was the level of LVMH's stake in the new drinks company, put at a

hefty 35 per cent in his scheme. This week, there have been suggestions that Guinness and GrandMet, to be renamed GMG Brands after the merger, would be happy to pursue a three-way drinks tie-up provided the new business remained a subsidiary of GMG.

But M Amault, in London yesterday to gain support from institutional shareholders, said: "It does not make sense to give up control of Moet Hennessy and ger a minority stake in an unquoted company." He accepted that a collapse of the merger would cause shares in both British companies to fall. "I'm never happy to see the price of shares go down, but we are prepared to do what we have to do." The merger proposal put forward by Guinness and GrandMet, taking in Pills-bury food, Guinness Brewing and Burger King, made no sense, he reiterated.

His own proposal, submitted to GMG last week, argues. that food, restaurants and brewing should be spun off as individually quoted com-

drinks companies would result in additional annual cost savings of £65 million over and above the £175 million identified by GMG.

M Arnault said he would only agree to the GMG merg-er if there was a binding agreement that they would be spun off within a short period of time, possibly a year. How-ever, he said he had been advised that such a promise would be impossible for Guinness and GrandMet to give, as it would require shareholder approval.

in the next few days, Guinness and GrandMet will issue a formal response to M Amault. However, most analysts expect its line to vary little from the initial response which dismissed the Frenchman's scheme as "a complicated and costly break-up" that would give him "back-door control without paying a

Such a response looks likely to have grave consequences.

We are open to discussion.

But if the management of Guinness and GrandMet does not agree we will have to adjust our position," said M Arnault The clear implication was that he would intruct BZW, the broker, to raise LVMH's stake in GrandMet to closer to the 25 per cent needed to block the merger. On Tuesday, he raised it to 11.05 per cent and has now cut his Guinness stake to 12.3 per cent. Last night, however, one analyst pointed out that by altering the terms of the merger, it could be pushed through with just 51 per cent of GrandMet shareholder sup-

you look at it, someone with a 25 per cent stake is calling the

But LVMH said: "However



Elizabeth Forsyth, who is to seek damages from Polly Peck, at the High Court yesterday

## Forsyth to seek damages from PPI administrator

By JON ASHWORTH

ELIZABETH FORSYTH, for-mer aide to Asil Nadir, the fugitive businessman, was planning her business come-back yesterday after the High Court threw out a long-running civil action against her. Mrs Forsyth, 60, was cleared to seek damages from

the administrators of Pollv Peck International (PPI), the fruits-to-electronics group, which was criticised for failing to lift a freezing order over her bank accounts.

Deloitte & Touche, the joint PPI administrators, said on Forsyth, who served ten months in prison after being convicted of handling £400,000 in stolen PPI funds. Her conviction was quashed in March but the administrators initially decided to continue the civil action.

Mr Justice Evans-Lombe, the presiding judge, said yes-terday that after Mrs Forsyth's conviction was quashed the administrators should have taken a "rapid decision" on whether to release the injunction and discontinue the pro-

ceedings against her. Mark Blackett-Ord, repre-

court that it was an "abuse of process" to obtain the injunction and not proceed with it.

tion" for the six-month delay. The judge ordered the ad-ministrators to pay Mrs Forsyth's legal costs on a punitive indemnity basis and ordered an inquiry into any damages she might have suffered because of the delay in lifting

the injunction. Mrs Forsyth said after the hearing: "At last I shall be able to get on with my life." She added thatwould now seek Wednesday that it was drop
Commentary, page 25 ping the action against Mrs Senting Mrs Forsyth, told the sector or with a trust fund. work in the financial services

## Economists wary of early rate rise

BY ALASDAIR MURRAY AND PHILIP BASSETT

THE Bank of England should resist making another immediate rate rise, a group of economists said yesterday.

The shadow monetary policy committee, set up to monitor the Bank's new monetary policy committee, said that after three consecutive rises it is time to pause and reassess the direction of monetary policy.

Patrick Minford and Sir Alan Walters - did not rule out the need for interest rate rises later in the year, but said that the exchange rate was "an important consideration" at the moment and that the impact of windfall payouts was likely to be only temporary.

The committee's stance was backed by the Confederation of British Industry, which described the prospect of further rate rises as "unwelcome" as on of monetary policy.

committee members — who include strong pound is hurting exporters. ICI Professor Tim Congdon, Professor yesterday said that sterling's strength

would knock about £150 million off profits this year, with two thirds of the loss arising from a fall in exports.

The CBI's latest industrial trends survey showed export confidence at its lowest for 17 years, and export orders falling at their fastest rate since October 1991. Export orders are expected to continue to fall over the next four months, though at a slower rate. CBI analysts believe that companies are adjusting to the high pound by reducing profit margins in order to maintain market share. The pound

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The widening in the trade deficit predicted by the CBI survey has yet to emerge in official data. The global deficit for May narrowed to £508 million, compared with £989 million in April, boosted by a £76 million surplus with EU countries. However, the deficit for non-EU countries in June grew to £713 million, mainly because of a fall in exports.

Economists said it is only a matter of

## **SIB** warns City firms over pay

By Jason Nisse

THE Securities and Investments Board, which will take charge of all financial regulation next year, has warned City firms that they must review their pay structures to avoid a repeat of scandals like the pension mis-selling or Barings. Sir Andrew Large, who retires as SIB chairman next derivatives and selling life assurance, massive bonus pay ments have contributed to problems costing City firms hundreds of millions of pounds. Paying life salesmen bonuses to sell pensions has led to firms

selling inappropriate policies to thousands of people. In a consultation paper issued yesterday on the responsibilities of senior management. the SIB proposes that City firms give details of the responsibility of each executive. These struc-

tures will be reviewed regularly

think internal controls are strong enough. The SIB has also drawn up a list of il issues senior managers should consider when running firms. These include recruitment, pay and understanding the business areas in which the firm operates. The SIB is not saying what is good and bad practice, but will clamp down on firms that pay bonuses for short-term deals that might go wrong in the future.

by the SIB and it will recom-

We are not being prescriptive about renumeration arrangements," Sir Andrew said. But they can affect behaviour, so it is important for firms and investors that any bonus systems which are set up do not inadvertently corrupt a firm's internal controls."

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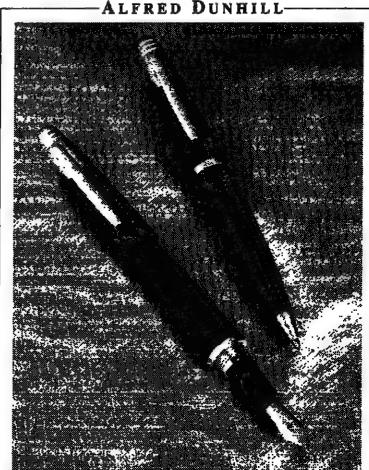
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#### Spending Cookson believes it has

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THE BUSINESS HOUNDUP

Barclays employees

BARCLAYS BANK faces the threat of industrial action after two strike ballots over pay. Members of Unifi, which balloted more than 30,000 Barclays workers, voted by 67 per

cent in favour of action short of a strike. However, members of the Banking Insurance and Finance Union (Bifu) voted by 53 per cent in favour of a walkout. The unions claim that the performance-linked pay system would mean a pay freeze for-

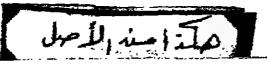
Bifu's Barclays committee is pressing for a two-day strike. The union's executive will decide on action shortly. Jim Lowe,

assistant secretary, said: "We want a short sharp campaign

that causes the least disruption to customers but gets the

message over to Barclays top management." Paul Snowball, general secretary of Unifi, predicted that industrial action was "almost inevitable". A spokesman for Barclays said the bank was pleased that the majority of union members had

vote to take action



## Society rejects rebel calls for new vote

By ADAM JONES

THE Nationwide Building Society yesterday ruled out a referendum on becoming a bank amid anger from some members who argue that the issue has not been satisfactorily considered.

The society also said that £1.3 billion was deposited in accounts last month as branches were besieged by windfall speculators.

On Wednesday, candidates seeking election to the board on a conversion platform were resounding-ly defeated by an average of about 950,000 votes to 350,000. Nationwide said the vote was an endorsement of mutual status since the would-be directors had made conversion their only platform.

At the annual meeting in London yesterday, Charles Nunneley, chairman, said the debale was over. However, some of the 522 members at the meetings called for a straight vote on conversion. One said: "We had a vote that was for directors, not conversion."

Dissenters said that many had voted against the five pro-conversion candidates because they thought that they would not be suitable board members and not necessarily because of a belief in

mutuality.
Michael Hardern, the freelance butler leading a pro-conversion lobby group, has been criticised for erratic behaviour. Yesterday, he left the meeting early saying that he was bored. He said it was likely that he would try again next year, claiming Nationwide had waged a "foul" campaign against

After Mr Hardern publicly renounced his proconversion stance, the board wrote to members at a cost of El million to try to change the minds of previously sympathetic voters. Mr Hardern later re-

Other members said that the vote was a powerful reminder of Nationwide's roots in the co-

operative movement. The Nationwide is involved in talks with the Government that could resuit in secondary legislation to make building societies less vulnerable to the carpet-bagging may-hem that forced it to close its doors temporarily to new depositors.



Charles Miller Smith is surprised at the quality and size of new customer contacts at ICI following the £4.7bn Unilever acquisitions.

## Acquisitions spur ICI in face of first-half profits collapse

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million to El60 million before

tax and exceptional items. The

group's second-quarter profit

was down from £165 million to

£95 million. The polyester and

tioxide businesses swung from

a £42 million profit to a £49

million loss on substantially

reduced sales of £669 million

ICI was also badly hit by the

strength of the pound, which

cost it £90 million. Alan Spall,

(£853 million).

ICI said the speciality chemicals businesses recently acquired from Unilever for £4.7 billion are already attracting new customers because of the change in ownership.

The four Unilever businesss, including the US-based National Starch, had previously found it difficult to win contracts from Unilever's rivals such as Procter & Gamble and Colgate-Palmolive. While Charles Miller Smith, ICI's chief executive, declined to comment on these

group was "surprised by the quality and size" of the new customer contacts. He said: "Some customers are saying they will buy because Ithe Unilever businesses] are now part of ICI."

The Unilever deal is one of three big moves that have transformed ICI's business. The intention is to reduce the company's exposure to the industrial chemicals cycle. and to enable it to deliver steady profits growth.

Weak chemical prices in ICI's polyester and tioxide

GCC wants the right balance

between early competition,

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Two million households in

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aiready. Eileen Marshall, of Ofgas,

rejected the criticism. She

said: "We are absolutely confi-

dent we can deliver competi-

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that the GCC has raised."

divisions - which are being chief financial officer, said he expects the currency impact will have risen to £150 million sold to DuPont in a £1.8 billion contributed to a collapse in first-half profits from £367 by the end of the year.

The company has main-tained its interim dividend at 12.5p a share, which will be paid as a foreign income dividend. Mr Spall expressed ICI's concern about the Government's proposed abolition of "fids" and the ending of tax credits on dividend income. He said: "Some levers have en pulled the ricochet effect of which, two or three years down the track, have not been

debate." He said ICI was very worried about the impact on pension schemes.

Paints, which Dulux, was a rare bright spot, improving profits from £63 million to £68 million. The acrylics and polyurethane from £82 million to £42 million. The industrial chemicals division suffered an £80 million fall in profits to £55 million, again blamed on export and pricing difficulties.

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## **Consumer warning** on gas competition

By Christine Buckley. Industrial correspondent

THE Gas Consumers Council yesterday gave a warning that the industry might not be ready for the extension of domestic gas competition in Scotland and the North East by the November deadline.

It said that after talks with the regulator it was not convinced that the system was sufficiently robust to deal with the large numbers of people expected to switch suppliers.

Sue Slipman, director of the council, said: "By pushing forward the date of competition, the regulator risks taking the whole concept of gas

## Kingfisher set to swoop on French takeover target



Mulcahy: statement

conglomerate, is considering buying the 74 per cent it does not already own of BUT, the French furniture and electrical retailer, for about £225 million (Sarah Cunningham

The UK group, which owns Woolworths. Comet, B&Q and the French electricals retail market leader Darty. was forced to make a statement by the French stock exchange after a sharp rise in BUT's shares. They were suspended on Wednesday at Fr335 (about £32). Kingfisher, where Sir Geoftive, said yesterday that it would pay "a price not exceeding 300 francs per share". It also said that it intended to make no further statements about a deal until mid-

Kingfisher sald it is in talks with the Venturini family, which owns just over 30 per cent of the company. It is also investigating the possibility of then making a garantie de concours offer, which remaining shareholders would have to accept.

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## Conlan moves in at Trocadero

By Fraser Nelson

JOHN CONLAN, who is credited with building First Lei-sure from a Forte buyout into a £500 million entertainment group, is to take the reins at Trocadero, the London leisure complex set up by Nigel Wray. Mr Conlan, who left First Leisure when Michael Grade took over as chief executive in May, has been recruited on a joint ticket with Nick Tamblyn – his former lieutenant at First Leisure. He replaces Mr Wray as chairman and Mr Tamblyn succeeds Nick Leslau as managing director. Mr Conlan, a widely respected figure in the industry, said that he will immediately

the rights to its London centre back to Burford. Mr Conlan is to look at retail sites and adding to the business's intellectual property portfolio, which includes the rights to Enid Blyton characters. He said: "Apart from making sure the businesses in the Trocadero centre work well, there is little else to do there. We would like to make acquisitions in both sides of the business."

Mr Wray, who is taking a non-executive role, said Trocadero can evict Sega if it fails to bring in £6 million of pre-tax profits by the end of summer 1999. Sega's site at the Trocadero centre was due to bring start a hunt for acquisitions using the £73 million that in a million people a year, but has fallen short of expectations. Trocadero gained when it sold

#### voted against strike action: Recovery at Philips

PHILIPS: the Dutch electronics group, enjoyed a sharp recovery in profits in the second quarter. Pre-tax profits rose from £85 raillion to £200 million in the three months to June 30. Jan Hommen, finance director, said: "We are operating our facilities at a very high rate of capacity. Demand is excellent for the products that we are associated with especially the consumer products and also the multimedia chips are doing extremely well."

### Pilkington's tough time

PILKINGTON, the glass manufacturer, said that difficult European trading conditions in the second half of last year have continued into the first quarter of this year. At the annual meeting, shareholders were told that glass prices had risen from their low point at the end of March but remained relatively subdued. The company said a big restructuring of its European automotive glazing business is under way. It involves a 20 per cent reduction in its European workforce.

### Zeneca's drug forecast

ZENECA, the pharmaceuticals group, said it does not expect fresh difficulties securing further regulatory approvals for its new asthma drug, in spite of health problems that some US users have suffered. Zeneca has told US doctors that a "handful" of the 250,000 to 300,000 Americans on Accolate tablets have had symptoms including breathing difficulties and heart problems. Zeneca suggests they may arise because severe asthma sufferers out their intake of other medications.

#### Ted Baker's smart start

SHARES in Ted Baker, the fashion company, went to a 4½ p premium in first day trading yesterday. Charterhouse Tilney placed 19.26 million shares with 40 institutions at 135p each. They ended the day at 1392 p. Ray Kelvin, founder and chief executive of the company, is keeping 45 per cent. He took a £3 million one-off payment before the float. The total of shares in circulation is 41.26 million: At the placing price, the market

## Brokers' past on screen

REGULATORS in New York are to put the disciplinary record of all US stockbrokers on the Internet. The National Association of Securities Dealers Regulation said investors can learn about their brokers' backgrounds on its website, at www.nasdr.com. The information, already classed as "public", is at present available only through a process involving written petitions. The association keeps tabs on more than 540,000 registered brokers and 5,500 brokerages.

#### Higher Irish tax take

BUOYANT tax returns in 1996, up more than Irêl billion (£90) million) from the previous year, provided some relief for the Irish Government yesterday as it continued to grapple with the effect of sterling's strength on the Irish pound. The Department of Finance, in its annual economic review, also published yesterday, has revised upwards many of its forecasts for 1997 growth. It forecasts gross national product to rise 6.5 per cent instead of 5.5 per cent.

#### Pru ScotAm go-ahead

MARGARET BECKETT, President of the Board of Trade, said that she has decided on the information at present before her, and in accordance with the recommendation of the Director General of Fair Trading, not to refer the proposed acquisition by Prudential Corporation of Scottish Amicable. Life Assurance Society and its subsidiaries to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Prudential shares yesterday rose Mes step betward

#### **New Clydeport chief**

CLYDEPORT, the Glasgow port and property services group, has appointed a new chief executive with no ports experience in the wake of losing both its managing director and executive chairman over the past six months. Tom Allison, 49, will join the firm in September. Mr Allison is currently a director of CSC Forest Products, a joint venture between Glunz and Hann based in Sterling with annual turnover of around £250 million and £300 employees.

#### Surprise drop at NAB

NATIONAL Australia Bank announced a surprise 9.5 per cent drop in third-quarter profits. Net profit fell to A\$504 million (£222 million) in the three months to June 30, from A\$557 million in the March quarter and A\$505 million in the June quarter of 1996. The slide shocked the market, prompting a sell-off. However, NAB has been warning themarket for a year that a price war in the key home mortgage market would slice into Australian lending margins.

United Utilities to defend Staples departure

## Pitcher under pressure

By Christine Buckley, industrial correspondent

CHANGES to the board of United Utilities are expected to be announced today as Sir Desmond Pitcher, executive chairman, moves to try to calm investor unease after this week's sudden departure of Brian Staples, the chief

executive. As Sir Desmond faces shareholders at the company's annual meeting he is likely to announce at least one new non-executive director and could name a successor to Derek Green, the new chief executive who was promoted from the managing director's

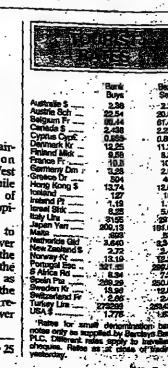
role at the company's utility division. Institutional investors who were both shocked at the de-

parture of Mr Staples and uneasy at the need for an executive chairman have increased pressure on Sir Desmond to shore up the board with heavyweight appointments. The non-executives include Sir Peter Middleton, chairman of BZW, and others with strong local connections. Eric Clark, head of the remuneration committee, is a non-executive director of the Merseyside Development Corporation,

where Sir Desmond is chairman: Frank Sanderson served on the North West Water Authority board, while Jane Newell is chairman of the Liverpool School of Tropi-

cal Medicine: Sir Desmond is set to mount a strong defence over Mr Staples's departure at the agm in Manchester. But the meeting is unlikely to be as rough as last year's, when the board faced a shareholder revolt and demonstrations over

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oldman Sachs — which boasts Gavyn Davies, many people's favoured

candidate as the next deputy governor of the Barik of England.

as one of its partners - is a great

fan of performance related pay. One bond trader — employed with a basic salary of £40,000 —

picked up a bonus of £950,000 recently. The current deputy governor, Howard Davies, takes over as chairman of the Securi-

ties and Investments Board a

week today, just as the SIB starts:

Swiss Bank Corporation — one

of the most aggressive firms in the City—and is widely tipped to take the particular hot seat of chief executive at NatWest Mar-

kets. He is not attacking fat cat

pay — but wondering if the City far cats are getting the right sort of cream for the right sort of work. If a trader sells a five-year

interest rate option to another bank, should he be paid for this

hard work now or when the contract is finished? The bank might run into trouble before the

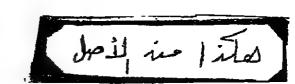
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Wembley faces \$22.8m theatre tickets bill

WEMBLEY, the operator of MovieFone's main US rival. London's largest football stadi- four years ago. When the two um, has lost a \$22.8 million US companies could not work (£13.6 million) law suit over the together, they sued each other. failure of an American theatre

ago (Fraser Nelson writes). The company said yesterday that it had spent £2 million in legal fees arguing that it was not liable for the collapse of a gioint venture with MovieFone, its former American partner, to provide theatre tickets around

Wembley sold 50 per cent of terms of the contract. Wembley sold 50 per cent of the contract. Wembley is considering its options.

tickets venture set up six years completely to Ticket Master three years ago, it maintained a contract that gave assur-

ances that the venture would achieve a degree of success. A US court ruled that Ticket Master should pay \$22.75 million damages to MovieFone -which Ticket Master is passing to Wembley under the

# Sir Andrew's elegant solution

year, but it may save you from shocks in a few years' time. And the SIB goes further. It says if you are the boss of the firm, and you allow a pay structure that encourages traders to take unnecessary risks, then you shoulder as much blame as the

questioning whether this is actually a sensible way to pay people in the City.

Sir Andrew Large should initiative to make companies know a few things about this. He used to run the London arm of Suiss Rank Corrections or the Correction of the Co detail who is responsible for what This means that if your rogue trader in Singapore is going crazy in the derivatives markets, you know exactly who should be looking over his shoulder. Should anything go wrong, then both the firm and the SIB will know who to blame. But there should be less chance of things going wrong because the SIB will come and look at a firm's structure every few months and say: Does this person know enough about this

person know enough about this subject to understand what his subordinates are up to?"

The only trouble the SIB has will be implementing this. It is facing a tricky conversion into the grand regulator of all beings—taking over the roles of the Bank of England, SFA, PIA, Imro and all. As a statutory regulator it will have to act at all



times within the framework of the commercial law — unlike the SFA or PIA, which work under Since it was formed in 1927, ICI stanium dioxide. the principle: "You are a member of our chib, abide by the rules." And, as a report from the lawyers Herbert Smith commissioned by the SIB point outs, the law is a blunt instrument in regulation. The SIB will tell the Treasury next week how it thinks this particular circle can be squared. One hopes Sir Andrew can find an elegant solution.

The Impulse driving new ICI

the advertisement says: Men can't help acting on impulse." The idea being that the perfume — made by Unilever — makes men want to buy flowers for women wearing the scent. At Unilever, Charles Miller Smith was responsible for manufacturing Impulse. Once at ICI he bought the Unilever

has been the very embodiment of the heavy chemicals industry, the beliwether of British industry that made the raw materials for the people who make the prod-ucts which made Britain great. It is now suddenly the company that makes Tommy Girl, a fragrance from Tommy Hilliger, the overhyped American de-signer. This is a breath of fresh air round at ICI's Millbank headquarters - although as one spokesman put it yesterday:
"We're still trying to get our heads around some of this poncey stuff."

Tommy Girl is one small example of the extent of the changes that Mr Miller Smith has made at ICI over the past three months. In from Unilever have come Quest, the fragrance and flavouring business, and National Starch, which makes speciality starches and industrial

One important benefit is that much more of ICI's business will be in areas that investors can actually understand — such as paints, detergents and food. Goodness gracious, ICI is nearly in the consumer good business. It has always had Dulux paints but how many of us can name any other product in which ICI has had a hand.

This move up the value chain, as Mr Miller Smith describes it, means it will no longer be necessary to try to remember exactly for what tioxide or poly-ethylene terephthalate are used. And it will no longer be possible to blame bad results on the latest

downturn in the unforgiving chemicals cycle.

The ICI that emerges will stand a much better chance of producing steady growth. It will also be much less exposed to the currency swings that are doing so much

company will not be so reliant on exports as more of its output is produced close to local markets. Mr Miller Smith is planning substantial communications programmes to explain the extent of these changes to his own employ-ees and to the wider world.

**Paying Arnault** to go away

Goodbye old Imperial Chemi-cal Industries, hello new ICI.

ernard Arnault's plan for a three-way merger of his wines and spirits interests with Guinness and Grand Met-ropolitan would have more appeal if it were not clear that he would control it. UK investors have only to look at the easy way M Arnault treats LVMH assets to see that being an outsider in a company that he effectively controlled would be a bad idea.

Spirits have more in common with up-market stout than with huxury luggage. But the logic of putting Guinness and GrandMet together as GMG Brands rests only on cutting costs and gaining market power in spirits. The UK groups cooked up their merger from stock

market weakness. They need to take the initiative now if they are to escape the web being woven by M Arnault. His stake in GrandMet need not be a blocking minority if other sharehold-ers are united. The merger could also be remade more expensively

Leaving M Arnault as an aggrieved partner is not, however, likely to appeal to share-holders. Lots of Guinness assets

are subject to his machinations. The answer may be to adopt M Arnault's alternative strategy. buying part or all of LVMH's drinks interests in a way that takes him out of the picture. If Guinness and GrandMet are to avoid paying through the nose for this, they need to work harder to restore the credibility of their own plan. They must also remember that they are not yet GMG Brands, but separate companies with separate shareholders.

#### United front

IN Manchester today Sir Desmond Pitcher will attempt to soothe United Utilities share-holders after the departure of Brian Staples, the chief executive. Expect questions about the structure of the board, succession and Sir Desmond's general manage ment style. Apparently he will reveal a "high profile" non-exec-utive appointment. Let's hope this is someone who has never been on the board of the Merseyside Development Corporatation.

## Cookson in selling and buying mood

BY CARL MORTISHED

RICHARD OSTER, chief executive of Cookson, the industrial group, said yesterday it £935,000 last year. Two-years' would have £500 million at its basic salary would total disposal to buy new business-

es. The company, which announced unchanged pre-tax profits of ESS million for the half year to June, is in advanced discussion to sell two husinesses. Mr Oster said: "That will

lion. We can generate another

Robert Malpas, 70, retires in October. The chief executive's job will go to Steve Howard, currently joint managing di-rector, who was in competition with Donald Carcieri, joint

managing director.

Mr Carcieri will retire from the board at the end of the year. Mr Malpas indicated that Mr Carcieri would reaccordance with his two-year.

contract. Including bonuses, Mr Carcieri earned

Group profits were hurt by the 7 per cent increase in sterling against the dollar. At constant exchange rates profits would have been up 9 per cent over the half year.

Order books are growing at reduce gearing to the mid 20 Cookson's electronic materials per cent level, leaving us business, which had suffered from the downturn in the

personal computer industry. E250 million over the next five. Organic sales growth was 9 years from cashflow. Organic sales growth was 9 per cent in the first half, but Mr Oster is to become the company indicated that the first quarter to 13 per cent in the past three months. However, prices and margins remained under pressure and profits in the division rose only 4 per cent to £33 million.

Cookson is raising the dividend 5 per cent to 4.1p per share after a 9 per cent rise in earnings to 8.7p a share.

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#### Boots price | Ernie to pay extra £2m takes step backwards in prizes

By Sarah Cunningham BOOTS shares fell yesterday

after a strong run on disapdistributed in Premium Bond pointing news on trading. First-quarter sales at Boots Healthcare International several National Savings investment schemes, after criti-(BHI), the over-the-counter. medicine manufacturing arm. cism that rates were becoming uncompetitive as they had rose 5.9 per cent like-for-like and 13 per cent in total. At Do. failed to respond to the three It All, the do-it-yourself chain, recent base-rate rises.

like-for-like sales increased · However, rates on National only 2.4 per cent. Savings live-year fixed-rate Analysts said that they had products are not being raised as they are now linked to the yields on gilt-edged stocks, which have weakened. BHI of at least 20 per cent because of a round of international product launches.

National Savings is raising Halford's same store sales growth of 3.4 per cent was also rate" from 4.75 per cent to 5 per cent. This is the percent Chemists pleased with 5.1 per cent like-for-like growth, while age of cash invested in bonds paid out in monthly prizes. At the same time, Ernie will be Boots Opticians showed a 24:1 distributing fewer £50 prizes but increasing the number in per cent same store increase in Boots shares, which peaked

the £100 to £50,000 range. The Income Bond rate will be 0.5 per cent better from September 5, while the Investment Account rate will rise by 0.2 per cent, to 0.35 per cent,

from a low in December of 591p, fell 29p to 787p invented

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## Salvesen a weaker target one year after Hays bid

Salvesen, the logistics group. have fallen sharply in the year since rival Hays dropped its 391p a share bid and City speculators say that could be the group's undoing.

The Salvesen price was picking up speed yesterday, rising 13p to 29012p, but remains well below the original offer price. The speculators know that Hays, 212p off at 57bp, is free to relaunch its assault within a few weeks and this time it may not meet such fierce resistance.

Despite the stock market's record-breaking run and promises by the Salvesen board to improve shareholder value, the group's perfor-mance has left much to be desired. At these levels. Salvesen carries a price tag of £772 million, compared with the £1.14 billion Hays priced the business at.

In September, the group is due to demerge its Aggreko equipment hire arm, but those institutions that burnt their fingers as a result of Havs's decision to pull out may see another bid as the more attractive alternative.

The equity market never really looked like holding on to its early gains yesterday. They were inspired by the latest trade figures, which showed the pound making little impact on exporters. But when Wall Street opened lower, it proved the signal for profittakers to move in. In thin trading the FTSE 100 index reversed an early 23.2 rise to finish II.6 down on the day at 4,862.9. Turnover reached 806 million shares.

Boots tumbled 29p to 787p after its latest sales figures failed to live up to expectations and Kingfisher dropped 15p to 70112p after starting talks to buy a controlling interest in BUT, the French electrical retailer.

The buyers came in for trouble-torn United Utilities. up 1912p at 73lp, ahead of today's annual meeting.

Embattled Grand Metropolitan rose 2p to 619p and Guinness 7p to 59812p with very much holding the upper hand. He was telling City institutions yesterday of his determination to block their proposed £24 billion merger. He wants to merge their drinks interests with those of

After some clever share manoeuvring, he now has a

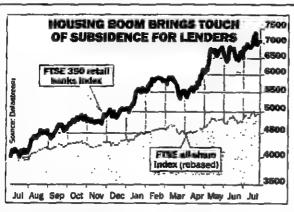


Richard Oster, of Cookson, 812p higher on good results

big enough stake in both companies to call a special meeting to put forward his proposals. Yesterday he sold a further three million Guinness while topping up his stake in GrandMet with 250,000 shares.

Granada rose 17p to 784p after some encouraging comments from Lehman Brothers. the US securities house. Lehman was also said to be taking a positive line on Reuters, up 20p at 618112p, after Wednesday's figures.

ICI fell 17p to 908p after its interim figures received a lukewarm reception from the Square Mile. With the strong pound expected to make a £150 million dent in profits this year, analysts are now looking to downgrade their forecasts for the full year. Last week the group sold its bulk chemical



THIS week's vote by Nationwide members to remain a mutual could see a scramble among mortgage lenders for new business. Dresdner Kleinwort Benson, the broker, warms the market that Abbey National. 2p cheaper at 8194p. and Halifax 4 2p off at 723p

Dresdner, says: "The Nationwide will be working hard for the next year, until a similar vote is concluded by another building society, to show that mutuality works. It will be adopting

COMMODITIES

Comments this week by the Northern Rock also suggest that the mortgage lenders are trying to win market share. Abbey National currently has 15 per cent of outstanding mortgage assets but only 3 per The Halifax will also find itself under pressure from Lloyds TSB. 812p off at 658 p. Dresdner says that Halifax is a core holding but is overvalued. For Lloyds TSB it has set a

target price of 830p.

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billion to help to finance the acquisition of Unilever's speciality chemicals business. Half-year profits from

Cookson Group, where Richard Oster is chief executive, came in at the top end of expectations and the shares responded with a rise of 812p

There was an early mark-down in shares of Zenera, with the price touching £20.15 before rallying hard to reduce the deficit to 1012p at £20.5212. It followed reports that the US Food & Drug Administration was warning doctors that Accolate, the company's latest potentially lethal side-effects in a small number of cases.

Pilkington firmed 'ap to 131'ap after announcing plans for another round of rationalisation and write-offs. Nigel Rudd, chairman, told shareholders at the annual meeting that trading conditions remained difficult.

AlM-listed Stanford Rook

jumped 25p to 550p as its skin cancer treatment SRL 172 passed phase 2 trials. Terms of an agreed £42

million bid from Carlson Leisure lifted Inspirations 10p to 7112p. The cash offer is worth Gremlin Group made a

disappointing start to trading on the "big board" with the shares ending up at a dis-counted 14612p after a placing at 159p. Ted Baker managed to achieve a modest premium in

first-time dealings. Placed at 135p, the shares opened at 13712p before touching a high for the day of 14012p. They ☐ GILT-EDGED: There was

a flattening of the yield curve as London responded badly to the latest batch of domestic economic numbers and the bigger than expected fall in the US jobless.

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They are now footing the bill for past ecodomic misman-**Boots** 

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at Boots, they relate to past disasters, namely Do-It-All, which clings to the good ship

## Mind out for the flowerpots

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If Kingfisher can agree a

price of Fr300 (£28.84) per

share - well below the mar-

ket value - the chance to

build up the French business

will probably be too great to

resist. But it is the country's

fourth-biggest electrical re-

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gins than Darty, the market

FLIGHT OF FANCY?

ate tax increases.

it. The conglomerate is shedding a couple of businesses, enough to generate £75to £100 million, reduce gearing and provide funds for new expansion. In itself, a good move, but the heart sinks when you learn the two that are to go are an antimony business and a company that made plastic flowerpors. Who bought these businesses and why?

Cookson is in recovery and the outlook ismore favourable than for some time. Star performer has been working capital management, with operating cash flow strongly positive, proof that Cookson can deliver the folding stoff as well as the more easily generated accounting profits. Also encouraging is the order book, which is on an upward trend in the electronics sector, where Cookson

COOKSON may be on the prowi again and stands to gain from renewed demand from stands to gain from renewed demand from circuit board manufacturers. Ceramics are still a headache, but only in one area, Zircon, where the partners. Cookson and Johnson Matthey, will need to take a hard decision if signs of improvement do not show by the end

The question is where Cookson shares go from here. Ambitious targets to improve returns are probably achievable if you ignore the ceramics effect. Cookson has some excellent businesses, such as Vesuvius, the refractories operation that continues to grow strongly in spite of the problems in the European steel industry. Fund managers who complain that conglomerates have no organic growth need to look at Cookson again, but, likewise, Cookson's bosses should take care not to trip over flowerpots.

leader. That provides a

chance for Kingfisher. The

added buying power would

force in France, with scope to

increase returns in both op-

erations. When the French

consumer returns to the

shops, Kingfisher will be in a

position to clean up, but

investors may have to wait

beyond the Christmas sales.

#### Kingfisher

KINGFISHER has a poor track record in second-guess-ing the French economic cycle. When it bought Darty in 1993, the hope was that France was on the brink of a.

recovery.
Yesterday a reluctant
Kingfisher was forced by the French Bourse to reveal its plans to buy But, the furniture and electrical company. But, how keen is it to do the deal? It must be tempted, given the weakness of the franc, which makes the ac-

quisition relatively cheap. But the French recovery is still at a fragile stage and investing in a second retailer will leave it very exposed. While the French budget was kind to consumers, the Government has been less generous with businesses,

PEEVISH scribblers in the City reckon that Boots failed to sell enough Nurofen to continental folk in the first quarter. Having decided ear-lier in the year that Boots was really a drugs company with a few shops on the high street, they bid up the stock aggressively, but figures from Boots Healthcare International were not quite up to scratch, it seems.

They are hard to please; BHI sales were up 23 per cent in constant exchange rates and slower organic growth is accounted for by some old inventories that have yet to work their way out of the system. Curiously, the strength of sterling helps BHI's expansion as it reduces the cash cost of the extra marketing expenditure in-curred in developing the brands in new markets.

If there are reasons to carp

Boots like a huge barnacle, causing drag as the engines power ahead. The DIY shed sales are not even keeping pace with inflation at a time when the home improvement market is in full recovery. In theory, this is the time to sell Do-It-All and the time to buy

honour. The consolation is that Boots will still be generating a flood of cash from operations and property sales which will need to find a home. The clear message isthat Boots will continue to return a bumper surplus to investors, hardly a reason to

it but no one, it seems, is

prepared to do the latter

#### sell the shares. Markets

The FTSE-100 share index seems to be gasping for breath at these rarefied altitudes. Scarcely surprising as investors have been given few reasons to put more money into equities. Accordings growth expectations have tumbled from 8.5 per cent to 7.7 per cent for 1997, while next year the outlook is even gloomier, with investors expecting earnings to rise

only 6.8 per cent. With the market's forward price-carnings multiple rising rather than falling, it makes little sense to chase shares higher. Meanwhile the Government is encouraging investors to put their money into bank accounts, which are beginning to offer attractive real rates of interest, thanks to its decision to hand over control of the economy to the Bank of England.

The policy also encourages us to look abroad for investment opportunities. It makes little sense to invest in Britain when operating costs are high and export margins slim. If you have a windfall or special dividend coming your way, bank it or buy a holiday. Life may not be such fun next year.

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ANOTHER of last May's casualties has hauled himself on to a quoted company's board. Malcolm Rifkind has been made a non-executive director of Ramco Energy. This oil explorer seems to make a habit of putting lost causes out

of their misery — a day

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Sir Robert Horton's ailing

JKX Oil & Gas. Why Malcolm Riskind, though, except that both he and Ramco are

The company has an inter-

est in a huge oilfield in the Caspian. Rifkind himself has

a particular interest in central

Asia. Ramco says. I wonder

whether, had the oil been in

Timbuktu, he would have

been similarly fascinated by central Africa? Rifkind points

out that the aftermath of the

break-up of the Soviet Union

was high on the agenda when

he was Defence and then

Foreign Secretary, and he still

knows several heads of state

there. Fair enough. But as

other rejected Tory grandees

trickle through to the board-

rooms, one can only hope shareholders will demand a

• CLARE SPOTTISWOODE

has been awarded an honor-

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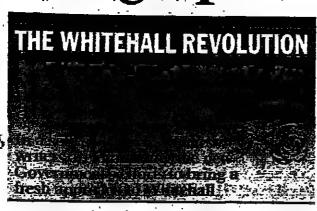
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FLIGHT OF FANCY?

# • DTI at core of Labour's drive to forge partnership with business



BY PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

necessarily to be talking to a Labour government again, but to be talking to a government at all. :

If the dying years of the Conservative Government saw the Tories not talking much to business, then the first months of the Labour Government are starting to see the forging of the new nartnership between business and government that Tony Blair wants:

The Department of Trade and Industry, headed by Margaret Beckett as President of the Board of Trade is the central Whitehall department for that new partnership. Yet in the past, few Whitehall ministries have had to justify themselves as much as the

Other departments, such as the Treasury, are flashier. Others, like agriculture, are just duller. But the DTI? What do its 9,000 civil servants do? What is their job — to run business instead of business running itself? What is the

Such searching questions were commonplace in the Conservative years — an era in which DTI bosses such as Lord Ridley and Peter Lilley were running a department for which, ideologically, they saw no justification. While they saw a clear job for the DTI in, for example, promoting British exports, or winning overseas business, they viewed as abhorrent what they saw as the department's medleft to business itself.

Oddly enough, it is not Labour's arrival at the DII that reshaped the department. but that of Michael Heselfine as President of the Board of

Trade. With his declared creed

WHEN Britain's top bosses of intervening before breakwere breakfasted at 11 fast, lunch and dinner, if Downing Street recently, their necessary, Mr Heseltine relief was obvious — not transformed the DTI into a department battling for business in government - and one bringing the Government's priorities to business.

After the largely water-treading regime of Ian Lang, Labour has now restored to the DTI the core of its work. Mr Heseltine took his favourite subject of competitiveness - a new name for the DTI's traditional job of improving the performance of Britain's companies - off to the Cabinet Office when he became Deputy Prime Minister to

John Major. Mr Blair has put the issue of competitiveness back into the DTI. The department's officials expected in return to lose some of the work they had gained when Mr Major scrapped the Department of Employment in 1995, including responsibility for industrial relations.

. But Mr Blair made it clear soon after arriving in Downing Street that such a plan was not what he wanted for the DTI. He did not want one department at Employment for the unions and the DTI as the department for the other side of industry. Instead, he wanted a partnership approach to business, between government, employers and employees — and it would be the DTI's job to deliver it, with the clear aim of improving Britain's industrial compet-

That is why, for the DTL its seemingly, disparate brief hangs together, why its job of wage sits with cutting out unnecessary regulations that bind business, why a policy of promoting competition and opposing anti-competitive practices fits with bringing in new European-inspired laws and privatising the Post Office



MARGARET BECKETT: President of the Board of Trade

MP for Derby South, aged 54, Labour's senior and most respected woman. Fought Tony Blair and John Prescott for party leader and deputy leader jobs after running the party in the wake of John Smith's death. Cool, competent, and diligent, she has already won approval from DTI officials on how she is handling the job.



IAN MCCARTNEY:

Aged 46, MP for Makerfield. Pugnacious and hard-working, managed brilliant by-election campaign in Wirral South which

foreshadowed Labour's general election

victory. Former seaman and chef, spent

laid careful groundwork for Labour's plan

Aged 52, the United News and Media chief

on Industrial policy. Co-founded IPPR think-

overning the maximum

hours people will be allowed

Such issues do not fit the

Conservatives definition of

competitiveness. They have demanded a shift in thinking

in the DTI's many offices along London's Victoria

Street. That has been helped

year ago as the DTI's Perma-

nent Secretary — its chief civil

officials working on pet sub-jects such as competitiveness

In the Heseltine years,

to work.

servant.

executive is part-time adviser to Mrs Beckett

early 1970s unemployed. Pre-election,

for a national minimum wage.

FORD CTIMAOM-DAYES: Aged 68, ex-MP Central and a trade minister in the last Labour government.

met Affaira Ministr

Castigated by opponents for being over

leaked policy papers while in opposi-

cials by regularly staying in the office

until the small hours,

tion, to Conservatives' great discomfort. Apparently tireless, is distracting offi-

had close access to him. Those

who did not had to make do

with the ossified lines of

communication up to Mr

Scholar's predecessor. With a

fresh approach from Mr

Scholar, and much closer con-

tact from Margaret Beckett's

Morale has improved. The

shortly in a new statement of

But such issues demand.

too, a similar shift in thinking

in the companies with which

the DTI deals — that White-

department.

ministers, that has changed.

Aged 42, MP for Edinburgh South.

Aged 43. Like Ian McCartney, another representative of Little Labour, the diminutive MP for Homsey and Wood Green transformed issue of small business from a traditional Labour



MICHAEL SCHOLAR:

HIGHBURY:

JOHN BATTLE:

Energy Minister

Aged 46, MP for Leeds West.

like, Background is in social

telecommunications recently

Earnest John Prescott sounda-

issues, and especially housing. Day to day responsibility for

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for Tony Blair in his quest for busi-

The appointment of the former BP chairman was seen as a coup

ness support. But Lord Simon,

57, minister at both the DTI and

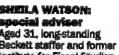
by a Conservative-stoked row

about his continued holding of

shares in his former company.

the Treasury, has been dogged in

Aged 55, widely liked and respected, revitalised department alnce replacing dry-as-dust predecessor Sir Peter Gregson last year. Ex-Cambridge, Berkeley, Hervard, a Treasury mandarin transplanted to DTI and maintaining close Treasury links.



hall officials with whom they

have talked for many years

about issues promoted by the

Conservative Government are

now promoting with equal

vigour subjects such as trade

union recognition and the

minimum wage, which busi-ness, in general, views as

ready seeing some key changes. Mr Heseltine

scrapped the old National

Economic Development

Council, set up by the Conser-

vatives in the early Sixties to

bring together employers and

unhelpful.

special advisor

Aged 37, ex-Treasury economist, was economic head at institute for Public Policy Reform, Blainte think-tank.

unions to help to run the

economy. New Labour does

not want NEDC, or anything

like it, back, but Mrs Beckett

this week formed a new com-

petitiveness advisory group, with the heads of the CBI and

TUC and union and business

leaders to offer guidance on

key economic issues. Minis-

but the line between new-style

partnership and old-style tri-

partite corporatism may have

Mrs Beckett is unafraid of

Labour's past. In a speech this

week she even used the term

"industrial policy" — the first time such a phrase has been

uttered by a minister without

any accompanying derision

since the late Seventies. Indi-

tion policy, or the minimum

wage, may cause ruffles from

time to time in the new rela-

tionship between the Labour.

and even carry the risk of

ruptures. But Mrs Beckett knows the new agenda of part-

nership that the Government

wants to pursue with business

and is confident that business

wants to pursue it too.

Government and business

**l'unnel vision** 

ROBERT MALPAS is standing down as chairman of Cookson Group in October, when he will have reached the age of 70. But what of Malpas's other chairmanship, as joint head of Eurotunnel? It seems they take a rather less ageist view of things, and there is ample precedent. André Bénard, once the French half of the duo, carried on well into his 70s. Aged 75 next month, he only retired as cochairman three years ago and left the board last year. Malpas has only been there a year or so. So he could be around a while yet.

#### Front row

EVEN billionaires aren't what they used to be. The latest edition of Forbes lists 447 of them. So the American magazine strips out the dross, the trust fund babes, and concentrates



on the top 200 that have made it by their own efforts. In for the first time is Tony O'Reilly. former rugby international and chairman of HJ Heinz, Waterford Wedgwood and Independent Newspapers.

• REMEMBER all those Woolwich share certificates that went astray? Well, a reader says that the headed notepaper in his local branch, in the High Street, Bromley, Kent, stubbornly insists it is in Bromley High Street. Except that by a quirk of London geography, the real Bromley High Street is 12 miles away. in the Fast End.

#### Firth forth

TAKE a close look at the accounts of Yorkshire Foods. The prune and nut products group lost £26.3 million last year, paid no dividend and is in talks with bankers about its future. Yet the chairman, Mike Firth, and two other executive directors picked up £324,000 in bonuses.

These apparently were "discretionary awards made in recognition of exceptional work carried out during the year". Questions about what this "exceptional work" might be should be directed with some urgency to the non-executive directors - led by Sir Marcus Fox, deposed Conservative MP for Shipley blimey, another one! - who now knows a great deal about

MARTIN WALLER



no papers — mind you, we couldn't afford it without our Nationwide windfall'

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## The In-Tray

● Competitiveness, Now Suick in Off Margaret Beckett is keen to maintain a nment drive to improve the performance of rhetoric on a new partnership with business. White Paper due next year.

 Utilities. Review of regulation of privatised utilities like gas, water and electricity

 Competition policy (4-) well as decisions or cases like Bass's plan to acquire Carlsberg, consultative Green Paper on competition abuse of market power by companies.

Minimum wago, Law Pay Controlssion.

companies under way. Green Paper likely by end

1 Britain's first-ever national minimum wage as of the year. Aim is to change utilities framework to give greater priority to consumers.

1 Britain's first-ever national minimum wage as it legislation goes through Parliament to give it statutory force.

Post Office. Yet another review of Prot Office, this time on how, rather than whether, to give it the greater commercial freedom it wants – but not to privatise it. Strikes also looming again in Royal Mail this winter.

Employment law. White Paper due horne.
I the end of the year on Labour's plans - seized I on by Conservatives in the election - to enforce. if necessary, statutory recognition of trade unions where a majority of workforce wants it.

## Ted Baker buttons up the Blair vote

the success of yester-day's flotation of Ted Baker was probably ensured in May when the new Prime Minister's sons, Nicky and Euan Blair, were pictured wearing Ted Baker clothing as they entered 10 Downing Street for the first time.

The Downing Street connection carries on for Ray Kelvin, the fast-talking 41-year-old behind the label. He has been invited there next week, and, as often happens, the officials sending the invitation were not clear who they were meant to send the invitation to. They rang to aske should it be Mr and Mrs Ray Kelvin or Mr and Mrs Ted Kelvin claims that it is not

only the Blair children who wear Ted Baker shirts, but the Prime Minister himself because "all cool people wear them. We're pitched just right and it fits in with the Blairs' image". This is classic Kelvin talk; he did not make himself worth more than £40 million from the flotation - he was given a E3 million one-off payment, sold about £125 million of shares and kept another £26 million worth by letting Ted Baker be underrated.

His sales patter and the steady flow of publicity from events such as the Blair photographs make up for the fact that Ted Baker does not advertise. This is very unusual for a fashion brand, although, as Kelvin points out, Marks & the wholesale rather than Spencer did not advertise until a few years ago." turn Ted Baker into an inter-Turning Ted Baker into the national

All cool people wear his shirts, Ray Kelvin says. Yesterday his label came to market. Sarah Cunningham takes a look behind the float



Downing Street endorsement for Ted Baker from Nicky and Euan Blair

next M&S is not on the cards, His plans for the business, which also includes expandhowever. There are no plans to open more shops in the UK, ing the women's wear operawhere there are now just tion and developing the new seven. Kelvin says that this is Edward Baker line, were enbecause he wants to develop dorsed yesterday by the City, which pushed the shares up from the placing price of 135p to 1392p. The institutions retail side of the business, and

image, he says, but by the margins. "Not many companies make £4 million operating profit on El4 million of turnover," he said.

Until yesterday, the company has been as unwilling to advertise the placement as it is to advertise the clothes. Kelwere impressed not by the vin has been unavailable to

Kelvin: does not advertise brand

talk to the press and, his publicists said, was busy tour-ing the institutions. The patter seemed to do the trick and 40 of them have taken up the shares: "Ted was pleased,"

Kelvin says. The money Kelvin himself will make is not, he claims, going to change his life. So far his only plan is to "buy a new fishing rod" and ensure he has plenty of time to spend their two boys, aged two-anda-half years and and fourteen months.

The millions follow 20 years of hard work, he says. Born in Enfield, North London, he attended a business studies course at Middlesex Polytechnic for one year before dropping out and setting himself up in business. He ran a private label clothes for mainstream high street retailers. It did not make him happy, "I did not enjoy working with the retailers and knew I would enjoy developing brands." So does he enjoy it? "I'm in love."

Ted Baker has not had the smoothest of histories, however. Kelvin founded it in 1988 and sold out to A Goldberg, a Scottish retail chain, as part of a £1.1 million package. Goldbergs then went into liquidation, and Kelvin bought the business back in 1990 for about £700,000.

The recent strong sales rise, of 25 per cent in the first 20 weeks of this year, is in part due to the Ted Baker secret weapon: Kelvin's mum. Trudie Kelvin, who is in her seventies, works every Wed-nesday and Saturday at the Ted Baker concession in Harrods. If she spots you, or you ask an innocent question such as the way to the lavatory, you can be sure you'll end up buying a Ted Baker shirt, Kelvin claims proudly.

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## Carlson takes Inspirations in £42m deal

By DOMINIC WALSH

INSPIRATIONS, the ailing tour operator run hy Vic Fatan, is to be acquired by Carison, the US hospitality group in a recommended offer valuing the company at 542

Mr Fatah, who floated the company in 1993, will reap about £2.5 million from selling his stake, and will be leaving the company. The board as a whole is pocketing E9.4

The offer values each ordinary share in Inspirations at 75p, compared with the closing price on Wednesday of ollap. The shares gained 10p on news of the deal.

In a separate agreement, British Airways, which holds nearly six million convertible shares, is also selling its stake to Carlson, for £5.5 million.

Inspirations expanded rapidly after its floration into the UK's fifth biggest tour com-

## Regulator acts to keep BT in line at home

By Christine Buckley, industrial correspondent

BT faces new curbs to ensure its international expansion is not funded at the expense of UK services.

With the company poised to complete the controversial E12 billion takeover of MCI, the US telecoms group, the industry regulator vesterday set out plans for tougher licence requirements. BT will have to pledge it will do nothing that could jeopardise existing licence requirements and supply a certificate each year to prove this. The certificate could be subjected to an auditor's report.

Don Cruickshank, the regulator, and BT have been in talks over the increased licence obligations since March - well before it became public that MCI had plunged into heavier losses than expected on its domestic development.

The profits warning from MCI threw into doubt BT's takeover of the company,

with investors fearing the UK company could pay too much in the deal. Sir lain Vallance, the chairman, is currently in the US reviewing MCI's operations.

sure Group (UK) subsidiary.

intends to use the acquisition

as a springboard to rapid

expansion in this country. It

already operates 409 travel

agent shops under the AT

Mays brand, of which 92 are

owned by Inspirations. The

AT Mays name will be re-

branded. possibly as World

Mike Batt, president of CLG, said CLG was negotiat-

ing to sell a 51 per cent stake in

Caledonian to satisfy Euro-

pean Union requirements on

The Office of Fair Trading is

conducting an inquiry into the

vertical integration of travel

agencies in the £7 billion UK

market. Thomson, the largest

UK tour operator, owns the

Lunn Poly travel agencies

while Airtours, its biggest

competitor, owns

airline ownership.

Mr Cruickshank said: "Developments since the publication of the March consultative document have underlined the need for extra regulatory vigilance. although they have not led me to materially change the conclusions of my regulatory financial assessment." Mr Cruickshank said he

supported BT's moves to become a global company, but said he had a duty "to make sure that as BT expands its interests overseas it can continue to fulfil its obligations to customers and other telecom operators in the UK

BT said it was disappointed at the move. A spokeswoman for the group said: "BT will continue to invest



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Graham Foster, managing director of Eve, the civil engineer, reported a £1.5 million annual pre-tax profit to March 31 (£4.6 million loss). Total payout, 4.5p (lp)

#### Stake in **France** for Willis Corroon

By GEORGE SIVELL

WILLIS CORROON is to take a one-third stake in France's largest independent insurance broker and has entered an option arrangement to emerge with a majority shareholding in years to come.

The move by Willis Corroon to buy 33.36 per cent of Gras Savoye comes at a time of con-solidation among world insurance brokers, although the London broker does not want to get caught up in megamergers. Nor does it want to go private, like its rival CE-Heath.

Willis Corroon is paying £41 million cash and transferring Willis Corroon France to Gras Savove. Willis has also taken a call option that could take its shareholding above 50 per cent after 12 years. A put option giving Gras Savoye shareholders the right to sell three years after completion of the deal has also been agreed.

It is not envisaged that Willis Corroon would ever take 100 per cent of Gras Savoye - in order not to destroy the French character of the business. Gras Savoye is the world's ninthlargest independent insurance broker and operates in 28 countries in Europe and

French-speaking Africa. Willis Corroon expects the French deal to enhance earnings in the first full year. Gras Savoye had gross revenues of £107 million in 1996, against Willis's £735 million. Willis will have three representatives on the French board.

## **United Assurance** optimistic on sales

NEW business taken by United Assurance, the recently merged United Friendly and Refuge Assurance, fell in the first half of this year because of a shakeout in the joint company's sales force. The United Friendly operation in London is in the process of being moved to Wilmslow, near Manchester, after the £1.4 billion merger. About 640 home sale staff have already left through non-replacement and the company intends to reduce the home sales force from 6,400 at

the time of the merger to 4.200 by the end of the restructuring.

Premium and unit trust income fell 4.6 per cent to £31.1 miles lion in the six months to June 30, although single premium life and pension business grew 4.5 per cent to £36.8 million. Unit trust and Pep sales rose 8.2 per cent to £23.8 million. The company said that "it's not been the greatest year" but added that it was an "optimistic story" that will "evolve next year".

#### Maidenform protection

MAIDENFORM, the US lingerie company, yesterday filed for bankruptcy court protection from its creditors. Brands owned by the privately owned business include include Oscarde la Renta and Subtract. The company will attempt to reorganize its finances under court supervision. Maidenform's troubles are said to stem from poor management of recent acquisitions. Maidenform's weakness is thought to have been inefficiency in manufacturing bras, which may contain up to 20 different pieces.

#### Abbey bid completed

ABBEY NATIONAL has completed its £191 million bid for Cater Allen, the discount house. The offer was declared unconditional with acceptances in respect of 85.2 per cent of Cater Allen's shares. Cater Allen will now become part of Abbey's Treasury Services arm (ANTS) which deals with wholesale banking and treasury and last year contributed 20 per cent of the group's profits. The Cater Allen name will remain, and the addition of its business will increase ANTS. assets by 20 per cent.

#### New jobs for Ulster

ALMOST 100 jobs are to be created in Londonderry, thanks to £8 million worth of new investments. Saint Brendan's, the Irish Cream Liqueur Company, is investing 66.2 million to expand its export sales and to develop new products in a project that will provide 53 new jobs: Also, E&I Engineering is investing £1.5 million to develop new products and create 43 new jobs. The new employment will be some consolation to Londonderry after the closure earlier this month of United Technologies, a US company, with the loss of 600 jobs.

#### Claremont revamp

CLAREMONT GARMENTS, the clothing manufacturer, is to split the jobs of chairman and chief executive performed by Peter Wiegand and to sell Bellrise, its non Marks & Spencer supply business. Mr Wiegand will continue as chairman and John Gilliatt, at present a non-executive, will become chief executive from September 10. As part of the disposal process, David Price, the group technical director, has been given permission to put together a management team to make an offer for Bellrise and has resigned as a director.

## Lloyd's funds unveil profits

By GEORGE SIVELL

THREE quoted Lloyd's insurance funds have issued results. Finsbury Underwriting Investment Trust said it will return almost all its underwriting profits to shareholders in a special IOp-a-share dividend on October 2. This absorbs £3.12 million of £3.19 million of net underwriting profits after tax for the 1994 Lloyd's underwriting year. In future, profits will be returned via special dividends based on profits after tax and perceived profits for future years. Investors have had a 0.8p in-

terim dividend from Fins-

bury's other activities. A final is expected when results for the year to June 30 are declared. Euclidian had pre-tax profits of £1.18 million in the year to March 31 (£683,000 in the pre-

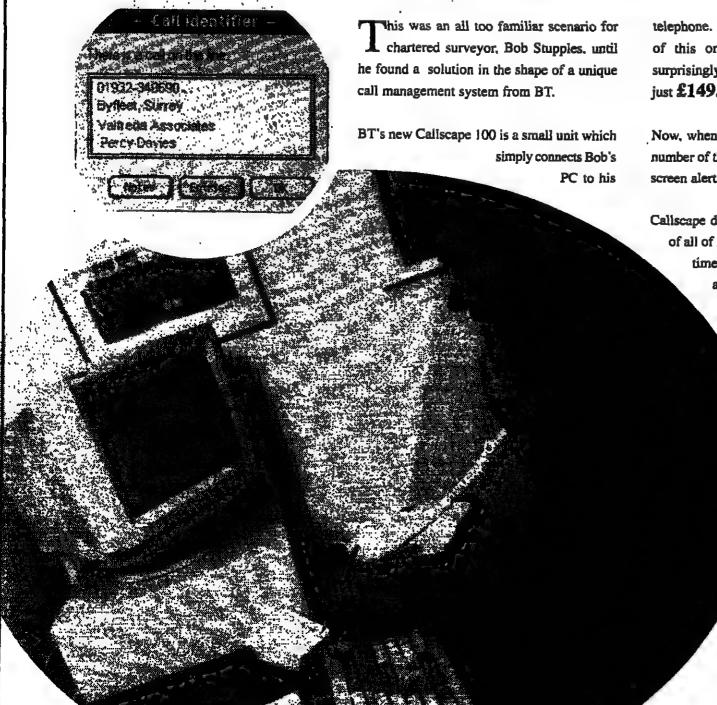
vious 17 months). Earnings per share after a goodwill write-off fell from 2.33p to 2.19p. A dividend for the year was paid as a 2p net interim in January

CLM Insurance Fund lifted pre-tax profits from £1.3 million to £1.5 million in its half to June 30. Earnings rose from 1.50p a share to 1.63p, to be an interim dividend on August 29.

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## Norman Foster's fabulous American Air Museum has taken flight at Duxford. Marcus Binney reports



# Space, the final frontier

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a scrapbook could hardly fit in more bombers and fighters than are crowded dramatically into Sir Norman Foster's new American Air Museum at the Imperial War Museum's collection of historic aircraft in Duxford, Cambridgeshire.

Overhead, First World War biplanes circle, an F-100 plunges in an attack dive, a U2 spyplane soars on a high altitude mission and a

Grumman torpedo bomber (as flown by George Bush) descends with flaps open to land.
Others shelter beneath the huge wingspan of the eight-engine B-52 Stratofortress bomber, which sets the dimensions of the whole

Of course, the whole dea of an air museum is a conundrum. Aircraft are made to fly. Walk-through aircraft

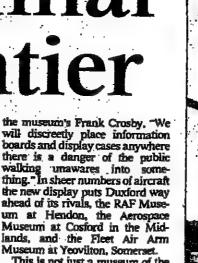
cabins, or platforms allowing one to peer into cockpits, quickly become boring. At Duxford, however, Foster and the Imperial War Museum create the sense of a giant hangar at the height of a campaign, with aircraft, helicopters, Jeeps and missile transporters crowded toether. You walk among these eaming beasts as if you are a pilot or a rear-gurner, ducking under wings, avoiding propellers and making sure a Sidewinder missile

The museum's curators are determined to avoid the usual syndrome of "Hands off, step back and don't put your miserable little mits on our prize fighters". "We want people to have the excitement of will discreetly place information boards and display cases anywhere there is a danger of the public walking unawares into something." In sheer numbers of aircraft the new display puts Duxford way ahead of its rivals, the RAF Museum at Hendon, the Aerospace Museum at Cosford in the Midlands, and the Fleet Air Arm

This is not just a museum of the US Air Force but of all 6 The great

> which top military brass writing to The Times would like the RAF to be). The astonishing aspect about the whole display is that, starting from zero funding just ten years ago, enough money has been raised not only for the new building but for the restoration of all the aircraft within it. One reason they are packed so close together is that on the Tarmac outside, in the Cam-

as quickly as in a scrapyard. million for the whole building, Foster throws a welcome questionmark over some lottery projects demanding £20 million-plus for similar spaces. And he also delivers a riposte to all those who assume



the fighting services. "We have army helicopters and navy Phantoms from Vietnam, and a Marine Corps B-25 bornber," Crosby says. Indeed, the official opening — by the Queen next Friday — marks the liftieth anniversary of the founding of the US Air Force, which until 1947 was a branch of the army (something

> architect in Britain, he must be the most expensive. "The only way this project could happen was to build at minimum cost," he says. The money was raised through donations from veteran American fighter pilots, and with a grant of £6.5 million from the heritage lottery Looking at the husk form of Foster's building, I am reminded of

bridgeshire mist, they were rusting the manta-ray spaceships that came into toy shops seven or eight dence, as his initial design dates from 1986. The shape is one of his favourites: a toroid, like a slice off the outside of a doughnut. It is an engineering conjuring

trick, too. As the design developed Foster and his team (first Nick

Bailey, who went off to build boats. then David Nelson and Robin Partington) switched from steel to the idea of a concrete roof. As completed, 7,500 tons of concrete roof are held aloft on just 42

ashingly curved concrete roofs were a speciality of the Mexican Felix Candela and the Italian Pier Luigi Nervi in the have been done since. It required a forest of scaffolding to hold up the 330 pre-cast concrete panels (each measuring 12 by 4 metres) which were cemented together and only finally became stable when the last

one was put in place. Neatly, the

anchor points for suspending the aircraft are the same as those used to lift the concrete blocks out of their moulds.

Inside the soaring building, Norman Foster and the Imperial War Museum have created the sense of a crowded giant hangar at the height of an air campaign

The cavernous beauty of the interior is completed by the spectacular glass wall extending across the whole south front and framing a stunning panorama of the runway and gently rising landscape be yond. Pilots from nearby RAF bases are hampered by restrictions, but here they can buzz the air tower the delight of visitors," says Partington.

The great quality of Foster buildings is the abundance of natural light. Here he overcomes a potential handicap of the deep interior and solid concrete roof by introducing a ring of windows around the base in the manner of a spaceship command deck. The walls below the windows lean sharply out-wards so that as the sun bursts through the clouds, light is reflected back onto the roof. When dark clouds loom, a sensor at the top of the glass wall switches on a battery of 50 2,000-watt lamps as strong as searchlights. But, says Partington,

natural light is proving so good

that they have hardly been used. outside, where the approach side is formed like a bunker, half-concealed in an earth mound, and the entrance is flanked by concrete blocks deliberately evoking Second World War Channel defences. Most startling are the sloping

emergency exit doors set flush into the grass bank. These spring upwards as soon as you press the doors within. Partington says: "It's a failsafe system operated by twoton concrete counterweights. Oil dampers slow the opening to five seconds just in case little Johnny happens to be sitting on top."

site, however, not everything goes quite to plan. If the Queen thinks that the turf around the building is explains: "The in-built sprinklers proved so effective they completely washed away the original grass

Even on a Foster construction

The American Air Museum opens to the public on August 1, from 5.30pm (01223 835000)



THE second of the season's Proms commissions, from the Greek-born composer lannis Xenakis, was heard on Wednesday night Some-thing under five minutes in duration, Sea-Change is too short to be a major work. It is nevertheless a substantial one - every bar teeming with textural detail.

An arresting opening counterposes snarling low trom-bones with high string sound. Thereafter, spiralling glissandi strings, subdivided to maximise their amplitude, create the aural equivalent of a vortex. The piece is not of an hour. Andrew Davis. essentially pictorial, however, rather the title refers back to a setting of Ariel's mance that was true to the song from The Tempest spirit, yet without any trace song from The Tempest spirit, yet without any trace made by Xenakis three years ago, and hints at notions of transformation, evolutionary peaks sounded well in the process and expectation. The



writing is bold and forthright, but in so short a timespan it has no room to develop, nowhere to go.

A hundred years ago, Richard Strauss had no such himself: his Heldenleben (A Hero's Life) is unashamed self-aggrandisement spread lavishly over three-quarters. and the BBC Symphony Orchestra delivered a perfor-

Hall, and particularly in Davis's skilful hands. Harsh edges were rounded off, the brass choruses suffusing the texture without overwhelming it. Solos were well taken: the leader, Michael Davis, painting a sympathetic por-trait of the hero's wife.

Prokofiev's popular Third Piano Concerto, with its constant changes of gear and direction, is always something of a rollercoaster ride. John Lill's account traced all the ups and downs with wellnourished tone and sharpness of rhythm. Davis and the orchestra were with him all the way, and at the close of the first movement, their simultaneous touchdown was a moment of communal

> BARRY MILLINGTON



"I AWOKE the imagination of

my century so that it created

myth and legend around me," says the tormented Oscar Wilde near the end of Gross

Indecency: The Three Trials of

Oscar Wilde. A chief virtue of

Moisés Kaufman's dramatic

collage, a hit at Off-Broad-

way's Minetta Lane Theatre,

is to restore the principals to

Drawing on writings from

trial transcripts to De Profun-

dis, Kaufman tells, with great

panache, the story of Wilde's

unwise libel suit against the

Marquess of Oueensberry and

the playwright's two trials for

indecency. In the process, he

raises questions about art and

morality, class prejudice, pri-

vacy, and the artist's responsi-

Aided by Betsy Adams's

superb lighting and Sarah

Lambert's simple set, Kauf-

man has directed with a

choreographic sensibility. A

chorus of four young men cite

sources and quote newspaper

bility to himself.

human dimensions.

## Great Dane as a pup

French visitor looked worried. "But is this A worried. "But is tris our Pissarro?" he murmured. He might well wonder at least at first glance. The Pissarro of the exhibition Pissarro in Venezuela is indeed very different from the normal expectations aroused by the name. But then, so he would be. When Camille Pissarro went to Venezuela in 1852 he was only 22, inexperienced, untrained, and undecided whether he dared set out to be

a professional painter or not. As for being "our" French Pissarro, of course he was nothing of the sort. He was etill a Danish national, having been born and brought up in the West Indian island of St Thomas, then a Danish colony. The visit to Venezuela was his first significant excursion from St Thomas, and though he went in the company of an older artist, the artist concerned. Fritz Melbye, was a visiting Dane. Melbye was Pissarro's first mentor and encourager, and since Melbye's own art harked back to the so-called Golden Age of

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Danish art, essentially a Biedermeler, conservative movement, it is not altogether surprising that Pissarro's first attempts at the exotic scene suggest more than anything else George Chinnery's sketches of the China Coast.

All the same, there is some-

thing premonitory about even the simplest pencil sketches. From the beginning, Pissarro is intensely interested in depicting ordinary people going about everyday tasks. Also, though he starts in Venezuela with timid pictures of basic buildings and the odd tree to give body to the composition or provide a sense of scale, he rapidly becomes fascinated with the tropical luxuriance of the scenes around him. Halfway through the show, he gains the confidence to allow his pencil to wander where it will. From then on the specific response to landscape is unmistakable.

Also, Pissarro seems to have been hesitant initially to

launch into colour. But then as a climax to the show, colour bursts in, first in watercolours of jungle undergrowth and intricate fronds, then in warmly sepia-washed interiors o people cooking and, even more intricate and active, people dancing. There are also three oil paintings, which must be among Pissarro's first essays in the medium. No hint of Impressionism here: the forms are solid, the approach staid and academic. Nevertheless, the pictures are charming and confident enough to show how forceful was Pissarro's artistic

bent right from the first. Most of these works, seldom exhibited outside South America before, come from public and private collections in Venezuela. After its London showing in the Bolivar Hall of the Venezuelan Embassy, the exhibition will travel to the Edinburgh Festival

RUSSELL TAYLOR Bolivar Hall, 54 Grafton Way,
 W1 (0171-388 5788). Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, until Aug 8

## Bangers and panache

IF EVERY late-night Prom is as gripping as this we shall all be desperately short of sleep by September. Little did I imagine that I would ever miss the last bus to Hendon. because of a Senegalese cir-: curnession dance. But then, I ally spoke wittily to the doubt whether even the finest audience the arena was Senegalese circumcisionists: perform with quite such relish as the Ensemble Bash.

They are a British fourman-percussion group whose name does scant justice to their subtlety, virtuosity and global outlook, though it does hint at the mad humour and loose-limbed jiving that enlivens their shows. Here they... joined forces with that most .. adventurous of pianists. Joanna MacGregor, for a programme which, with minimum musicological fuss. pointed up the parallels be tween folk music of many cultures and the "alternative" art music of this century.

Thus it was educational, if

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richly entertaining. And the fact that the performers actupacked, even at 11.30pm) was a huge plus. It should happen more often.

Yet sometimes the links between "folk" and "art" were left to announce themselves. For instance the opening dance from Ghana hypnotic rhythms played on folk xylophones and drums - dovetailed perfectly into Steve Reich's Music for Pieces of Wood. That made Reich seem less a minimalist pioneer, more a late convert to a drumming tradition as ancient as music itself.

Similarly, MacGregor's deliciously pellucid perfor-mances of some John Cage Sonatas and Interludes for you wanted it to be, but also prepared piano proved to be

ideal wrap-arounds for two pieces of recent British jazz: Orphy Robinson's Suite d'Lorenzo, beautifully layered for marimba and vibes; and Django Bates's characteristically droll The Cater-ing Trade, which (with the help of two actors) offered a wacky Pythonesque sketch along with the musical satire.

Best of all was a work that embodied both folk and art traditions: Frederic Rzewski's Winnsboro Cotton Mill Blues. Rzewski's music promotes blissfully uncomplicated, old-fashioned socialism, and this typically ferocious polemic turns a 1930s protest song into a wild how! against factory tyranny. Originally a piano piece, it was splendidly embellished here, with Mac-Gregor's epic solo supported by all manner of industrial clangs. Terrific, and terrify-

> RICHARD MORRISON

## Wilde time on trial

THEATRE **Gross Indecency** New York

leads to!" They frequently slip into other characters - Bernard Shaw, Frank Harris, Queen Victoria - and, during the second trial, they become Wilde's rent boys.

In casting the short and slim Michael Emerson as Wilde, Kaufman cheats a bit. Emerson doesn't appear 16 years older or considerably heavier than Bill Dawes's callow but loyal Lord Alfred Douglas.

gay couple and skirts the fact that the older Wilde used to have sex with Douglas's castoff lovers. But the truth probably wouldn't help one warm to Robert Blumenthal's apoplectic Queensberry. "His real object was to ruin his son and break the heart of his former wife." Shaw tells us.

Nonetheless, Emerson recreates an egotistic, passionate artist, but without effeminacy. Giving evidence, he cocks his head as though listening for

the sound of his genius. A satiric scene, that stops outside the 19th century, opens the second act. In it, a presentday jargon-spouting academic (Greg Steinbruner) discusses the trials impact. Entangling himself in assertions such as Wilde created the modern homosexual," the professor winds up declaring: "I'm sort of hesitant to reach any conclusion." After sampling the issues presented by this play, one can sympathise.

EDWARD KARAM



#### LONDON

BBC PROMS. The second weekend of the 103rd season bogns to light with Sir Peter Maxwell Davies conducting the BBC Philharmonic in the world promine of his BBC commission. Sals in St Magnus / Vassily Smarsky then mounts the podium to conduct Beathoren's Piano Concerto No 1 (solors) Stephan Flovscevich), which is followed by Shostekovich's Eighth Symphony On Saturday, Richard Higher conducts the BBC

Philharmonic in two Proms premieres Grainger's The Warners and Jonathan Harvey's new concerts for percussions Electri Granic Britten's The Young Person's Guide to the Crohestra and Eigar's Enigrita Variations top and fail the programma. On Sunday Libor Pasak conducts the Royal Liverpool Philhermonic Orchestra, two charuses and lour Orenesser, Wo coronsus and not policists in Honogge's foramular tableau Joan of Arc at the Stake, with Ficha Shew in the total Albert Hall, Kercangton Gore, SW7 (0171-889-8212) Tongni-Sun 7-30pm

BLITZ '97 The annual three-week dance lostical at the Festival Hall bugins temoriow and runs until August 17 temprow and runs unit August / Free (mostly) daily exhibit begin at 10 30an; and include work shoots purformances, discussions and other dance-related admitted. Torright 19 45pm). Frichus Theatre Urbann France) gets the festival underway with Hitotopchian journey through the dreams and screams of Bluebeard's eratic tasts formation and other graphic products of this and other girtz events, please and the Festival Hall box office number below Festival Hall, Balkoom Floor, South Bank SEI (0171-960 4242)

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Forno-owner's rightmare Hampstead Swiss Coffage Centre, NW3 (0171-722 9301) Mon-Sal, 8pm,

☐ GOODNIGHT DESDEMONA (Anni Good Morning Juliet) Ann-Mant MacDonald's sprightly conflation of two

tragades into a modern riightmare farce Directed by Michael Cowe of The

Grace Theatre of the Latetanove, 5/0

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as dollarth inchos including pays a score of people in a remarkable solo performance presenting the realities of lite on modern urban estates. Based by Bryony Lavery on Beatric Campbell's book, and directed by Annie Castledina Bush. Shephards Bush Green, W12 (0181-743-3388). Opens tonight. 7pm. Nan Mon. Sair Arm.

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Quarter performs Mozari's String Quarter in G and Claimet Quintet in A (Ronald Van Speendonck) Melvyn Tan plays Dvotali's Prano Quintet in A Wigmore Hall, Wigmore Street, W1 (0171-935 21s1), Tomorrow, 7 30pm (§)

ELSEWHERE CHESTER: Neil Simon s early cornedy. The Star-Spangled Girl, updated from 19603 San Francisco to 1990s New York and directed by Phil Willmott, Girl

STUCATUM The lenth Stockers International Riverside Festival of outdoor performing ents begins loday with a day of korean dance music, ans and crafts. Tomorrow (noon-1am), an has everything (looks, job, liance in the Inche day features the Levellers Audioweb, Ether and No Way Sis, and on Sunday (noon-midnight), DJ Danny Rampling Groovender and Gil Scott

Heron ere among the 20 artists spinning the latest dance sounds Stockton Festival (box office 01642 615080, information 01642 611625), Until August 3 LONDON GALLERIES Art First Back to Neture Flora and Fauna (0171-734 0386) Barblet

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Ravi Shankar headlines

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PYGMALION: Ray Cooney the ☐ PYGMALION: Ray Cooney the unexpected choice as director of Shaw's drama. With Roy Marsden, Michael Elpruck, Morey Watson, Barbara Murray, and Marcia Warren. And Carli North, straight from RADA, playing Eliza. Albery, Si Martin's Lane. WC2 (0171-369 1730). Now presiveng, 8pm. Opens. July 28. 7pm. Then Mon-Sat 8pm. mats. Thurs. 3pm, Sat, 4.30pm. THE WINTER'S TALE DAY

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shoulder throughout this album is the ghost of the Notorious B.I.G., the rap star who was shot dead in March this year. Not only is he credited as executive producer and featured on many of the tracks, but B.I.G. is also, of course, the inspiration for I'll Be Missing You. Indeed, his violent demise informs the core mood of the album, which has a much more poignant and regretful tone than that of any previous heavyweight rap

"I've never been afraid to die/But I know I don't want to die/Not just yet anyway, Coombs says with heartfelt conviction on If I Should Die Tonight, while tracks such as Pain ("I can still hear the shots that left my man B.I.G. layin'...") and What You Gonna Do? ("How you gonna tell your son his daddy is deceased?") look beyond the confrontational belligerence of gangsta rap and explore the painful aftermath of violence.

There is a sense of déid vu about the music, which samples strategic chunks from sources as diverse as David Bowie's Let's Dance to Yarbrough & Peoples' Don't Stop The Music. Nevertheless, No Way Out is a step forward, and a guaranteed goldmine. Will we be able to say the same about the Oasis album?

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HOW embarrassing for Oasis. After all that hype they find themselves nudged out of the No I slot after just one week by the Puff Daddy & Faith Évans single I'll Be Missing You. which had already enjoyed a three-week stretch at No l before the Oasis record was released.

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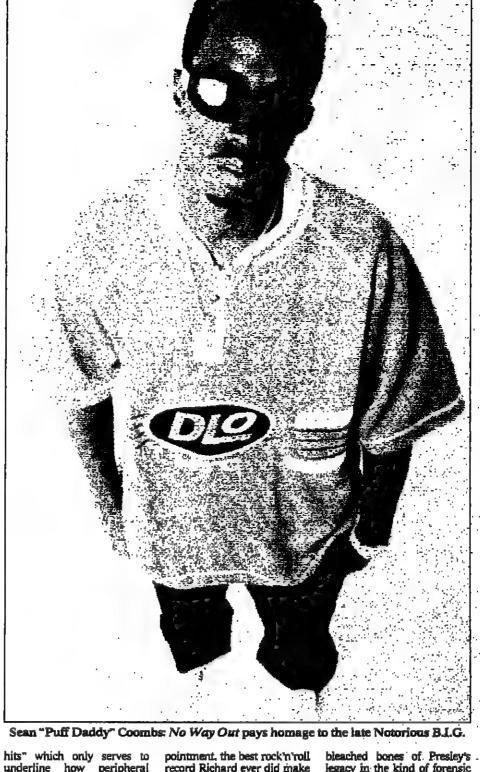
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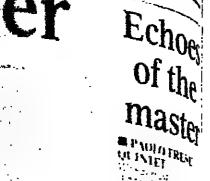
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Not quite the new T.S. Eliot: a group of young American MTV viewers concluded that Murray Lachlan Young was "like Shakespeare on acid"

# The £1 million poet

Can Murray Lachlan Young justify his unique EMI

deal? Nigel Williamson meets the showman of verse

Murray Lachlan Young as a rock poet, or worse, the bard with the backbeat. "I call myself a performance poet who prefers supporting rock'n'roll bands to playing theatres or comedy clubs," he

You cannot blame the latest champion of this hybrid genre, for predecessors from John Cooper Charke to Attila the Stockbroker bave failed to turn their initial novelty value into lasting success. Young, 28, is hip, humorous and hugely ambitious, with every inten-tion of being the exception to the rule that pop and poetry make uneasy bedfellows. He has a £250,000 contract with MTV. And of course he has a much publicised £1.1 million record contract with EMI. which is giving his first alburn, Vice and Verse, released

on Monday, a giant push. Young's darkly comic explorations of the underbelly of modern life make it not too fanciful to call him a Hilaire Belloc for our age, the creator of a set of adult cautionary tales for the 1990s. Typical targets of his caustic wit include cocaine users, heavymetal fans, supermodels and pretentious poseurs everywhere Cazual Sex features beautiful people who shout the

names of designer labels at the moment of maximum passion; The Life and Death of Art tackles the Damien Hirst school with victous doubleedged humour. The Closet Homosexual turns political correctness on its head, detailing the outrage of fashionably hip society when a noted gay transsetter decides he is straight after all.

About 30 slices of this sometimes malevolent satire are being shown this summer on MTV — short, sharp vignettes of verse sandwiched between videos by the likes of Michael Jackson and the Spice Girls. That is where the audience is "I like the elements of dang which surround rock n roll. If someone throws a bottle at you, you've got to duck. Sometimes it is a pain and a misery. but turning a crowd like that around is more exciting than making a bunch of half-arsed

graduates laugh." Young has become something of an expert at winning over ugly audiences. Faced with an unappreciative horde of Black Grape fans in Scot-land yelling "Who's the water in the white?", he transformed

their taunt into a piece of mass participation verse, training them to recite the insult in poetic metre and then completing the line in mock triumph by declaring "I am he, I am he". His handling of the situation suggested unabashed star quality.

Mostly, however, Young provokes a far more enthusi-

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astic reception. He has just completed a successful season opening for the Pet Shop Boys during their two-week occupa-tion of the Savoy Theatre. Next month he plays at the Edin-burgh Festival It's about making poetry accessible," he "The most satisfying thing is when people approach you afterwards and say 'I'm

not into poetry or anything

dom. "Basically it was a study in deconstructing what my desire for people to pay attention to me was all about. It made me realise that I had to express that in performance of some kind, otherwise I would have become a complete pain to everyone."

Young returned to London with a new confidence and worked the underground club circuit. He also became a DJ and developed a host of contacts which he probably could have exploited to become an actor, a stand-up comedian or a singer in a rock'n'roll band. He decided instead to be a performance poet. "I didn't want to act because

like that, but I thought you

were really good." Young was

brought up in Sevenoaks,

Kent. There was an oppres-

sive market town mentality

and I hated it. I was dyslexic

and failed my exams." Yet the

facility with words was always

there, initially as a defence mechanism. "I was a late

developer. All the boys were

turning into men while I was

still a skinny little kid. I used

to get beaten up and I had to

He moved to London and

worked as a cycle courier and

a landscape gardener, but eventually pitched up on the

media periormance course at

Salford University, where he

did his dissertation on star-

learn to talk pretty fast."

I wanted to be in control of my own source and I didn't want to join a band because I like working on my own," Young explains. "Poetry is the stem of all lyricism and the least restrictive form. I can tell you a poem here or I can stand on stage in a theatre and do it any time, anywhere. It goes into books and the recording medium and it is the broadest possible piece of art. If you can perform as well, that takes it another stage further."

is long Byronic curis berray a romantic streak and he cites Coleridge, Yeats and Wilde as influences. More contemporary names such as Ivor Cutler and Vivian Stanshall also come up, but Young is bold enough to declare: "Shakespeare was the most massive influence. Just look at the dictionary of quotations." He claims that a group of young American MTV viewers concluded that he was like Shakespeare on acid".

His debut album includes sympathetic musical backing from the likes of Jools Holland, something of a departure from his live performances. it's about repeatability. A recording of me performing solo you would only want to listen to once or twice. You can put this record on in the car and it creates a mood that is more than just the poetry and has a life of its own."

Nevertheless live performance remains his first love. Young says that he used to stand on a chair in the middle of a crowded room and stare everyone down until there was silence. "I used to feel that I was invincible. Now I have learnt fear, which you need in order to achieve. Performing poetry is like being a door-todoor salesman. You've got to get your foot in straight away, then you can close the door

demonic stuff." Young sees himself as part of a long oral tradition. "If poetry is going to live, it has to come out of someone's mouth." Yet despite his bravura, there is a private voice to Young as well. "I write a different kind of poetry for the page which I don't show anyone. People can decide whether they like it or not after I'm dead. You see, underneath I'm really just one of those sensitive closet poets like everyone else."

It seemed churlish to remind him that he was due on

stage in half an hour. ● Vice and Verse is released by EMI on Monday, Murray Lach-lan Young can be seen on MTV all this month and live at the Assem-

bly Rooms, Edinburgh, from Au-

## Delicious brew of chocolate and lemon

ecomes along a band which rubs away your cynicism like pumice on

Every so very infrequently, one of these bands makes an album which is complete and whole in every way -sore and comforting; wry and tear-stained: set in its own sleepy vision-world, yet sharp and acute and able to point the finger with deathly accuracy. Soft heart-music that steals into the room and washes it lilac, pale-green, and the colours of gardens after summer sunset; making every evening as dusty and hot as the country roads in Thomas Hardy novels. Songs written by clear-eyed boys and girls, high on honesty and book-words and the gut-kick of making instruments sing sweet and

your own. These are stars who understand the importance of doing things like singing Lisa's kissing men like a long walk home/When the music stops" — and stopping the music for the length of a heart-beat. Who then understand that following this with "Take a tip from me, don't go through the park/When you're on your own, it's a long walk back." and pushing the music up into a panic of pianos — while the singer's voice breaks on "If they follow you/Don't look back/Like Dylan in the movies" - is the mark of genius. Belle and Sebastian are

geniuses. They pull off deft, natural flourishes of songwriting that would make almost any other British songwriter break into a cold sweat. And they do it every 90 seconds, approximately, on every song they have ever written.

There's a burst of harmonica on Me And The Major which recalls Bob Dylan, early Aztec Camera, and youth disappearing like a long-distance train down the track. Or the easy roll of the piano on Seeing Other People, which thumps deep, rich and down into uneasy, strident, bitter-chocolate chords, before cresting in sweet, high lemon resolu-tion. And then there's always the horny horn section squealings on Dog On

The seven

geniuses of

Belle and Sebastian are all you need

Wheels, which gallop, writhe and pant like Love's Forever Changes; and is sumptuous in a way music hasn't been since Nancy Sinatra and Lee Hazelwood took it upon themselves to bring brassclass to the masses.

Belle and Sebastian have no Belle and no Sebastian they are seven, from Glasgow, formed on a government training scheme, and therefore "the result of botched capitalism". On a music business course they



**MORAN** 

were instructed to record a single and form a record company as an exercise. On the minuscule budget of a single, they recorded a whole album - Tigermilk - and released it through Jeepster, their own company. However, it wasn't until 1996's If You're Feeling Sinister that audiences started falling into their bosky world.

ead singer and song-writer Stuart David has a simple, affecting voice — plain, like an HB pencil, but capable of being smudged into depth and shadow by the tender thumb of emotion. And if you're wondering why you haven't read much about them, it's because they don't do interviews. Or photoshoots. They even stood up the man from The New York Times because David had second thoughts about doing publicity.

"It's not a contrived thing - it's not like doing no

Jackson, B&S's guitarist and backing vocalist, says, in a rare Belle-and-Sebastiantalking moment, Jackson, according to the one-page. self-written document that album, was discovered "singing Negro Spirituals as he built a footbridge over the Dunbartonshire marshes. When Stuart David and fellow B&S member Richard heard him sing, they laid down their rod and staff

and were comforted." "It's just that personally, I haven't really got anything to say," Jackson continues. "And it's maybe best to keep an elegant silence."

Such wisdom in ones so

young! To run away from the graceless, squirming interview process, and simply get on with making witchily magical records. B&S's friend, Isobel, works as the band's icon and trademark it is her languorous. swollen-lipped face that appears on the CD covers, and most of their photographs. Only one picture of Stuart David exists - snapped by a photographer when he wasn't looking, it swaps hands for £200 between music publications.

Belle and Sebastian are a rare and utterly mesmerising thing: a band who create their own world, and remain untouched by the tricksy currents and destructive undertows of musical scenes. Think of The Lilac Time, Felt, Nick Drake if he'd had six mates who thought the same way as him - singles and albums that never really do that Top 20 thing, but remain in record shops and friends' houses, waiting for you to

fall into them. The latest instalment from B&S land is The Lazy Line Painter Jane EP, which starts off like Eight Miles High before stretching its wings out into a sexually charged bluegrass/psychedelic duet with a catastrophic guitar-line. Along with Radiohead, they're the only band you'll need this year.

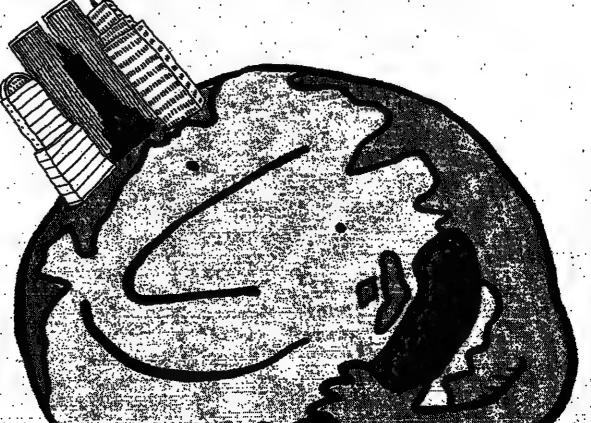
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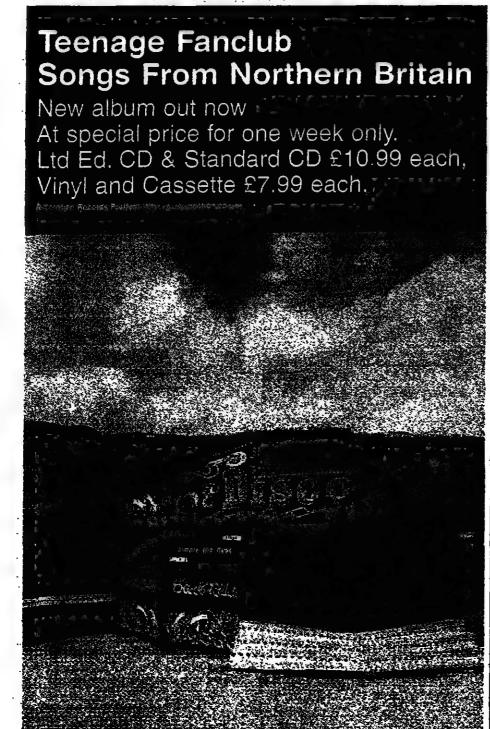


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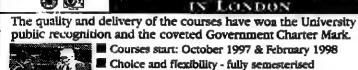
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## **EDUCATION**

The summer holidays are the ideal time to get into the habit of reading. Susan Elkin on entertaining literature to take along

# No one who has a book is ever alone

eading is the key to learning. What bet-ter time than the long summer holiday for children to get on with it? If it's wet, reading is something you can get on with indoors. If it's fine, you can do it out in the sunshine. And it goes without saying that every child should have books packed in the

holiday luggage. Stories provide imaginative knowledge of other places, people, worlds and times. Accomplished readers unconsciously soak up vocabulary. grammar, ideas and information. Concentration and self-

reliance develop from reading. What good news, therefore, that common sense has prevailed and infant school teachers are now required to teach the mechanics of reading sys-tematically. But being able to read is not the same thing as

You learn to read properly by doing it, once the basics are in place. Lack of practice can lead children to be inadequate and reluctant readers. The world of childhood is fleoded with the quick-fix visual imagery of television, video, com-puter games and the Internet. It's hard work for parents to maintain a balance.

No one who has a book is ever alone or without some-thing to do. yet-many of the secondary pupils I know resent any suggestion that they might read a book - especially when on holiday - because they say "We want to have a break and a good time". Have we reached a stage where

mally exclusive?

Parents who want their child(ren) to remain, or become, fluent, knowledgeable and thoughtful readers, will do everything possible to promore daily reading. So:

Take younger children to

the library regularly. Many run story-telling sessions, which can trigger interest. Read to the child every day - and not just at bedtime. One-shot stories are best for the youngest, but a serialised they're slightly older.

☐ Don't stop reading aloud just because the child can read. Aim for something just above the level that he can manage independently so that you're "stretching" him.

For summer holiday treats buy some, of the children's

classics" - Black Beauty, The Water Babies, the Namia books. The Wind in the Willows, The Borrowers, novels of E. Nesbit and so on. But don't forget the wealth of fine stories written more recently. Find out about children's fiction: batches of them are regularly reviewed in newspapers.

Read children's books your-

self. Enthuse. Discuss them with your children and their friends, "A children's story which is enjoyed only by children is a bad children's story," wrote C. S. Lewis. ☐ Example is a powerful tool - make sure your child regu-

larly sees you engrossed in a book. A parent (or teacher) who says "Oh I used to read a lot when I was a child but I



Children learn to read properly by doing it, once the basics are in place. Lack of practice can lead to reluctant readers

don't get time now" is conveying the message that reading

is a puerile activity.

Make time. Be resolutely selective about television viewing, both for yourself and for the children.

☐ Variety is vital. No one can read at the highest levels all the time. Anyway, how else do you learn to distinguish the marvellous from the mediocre other than by eclectic sampling? Teenagers are often hooked on Stephen King, Virginia Andrews and John Grisham. Much better than nothing, of course, but try to persuade them to dip into "modern classics" such as Rebecca, Gone with the Wind and The Grapes of Wrath, as well as the works of George Orwell, Iris Murdoch, H.E.

• The author is a freelance writer. As for older classics, it's not a part-time English reacher and the mother of two grown-up sons. much use telling your teenager

to read Dickens instead of playing a computer game if you haven't read a 19th-century novel for 30 years. Relatively accessible starting points for young readers are, for different reasons, The Mill on the Floss, Tess of the d'Urbervilles and Jane Eyre. They're all available in paperback editions with attractive covers. But you'll need to read them, too - and don't forget these books were originally written

for adults. What follows are a few enticing holiday reading suggestions for books written mostly in the past 25 years or so for young readers, and with which parents may not be familiar. I've divided them into three age bands, but the boundaries are very fluid.

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## Reading: a skill for life

The invitation to join the new literacy pilot project, which started this week, came late to this school. Further funding had gener-ously been offered by News International, at late notice, and the opportunity to participate was seized readily by the teaching staff.

ment to see if further reading support given to 30 II-yearolds during the school holi-days will improve their reading levels before they enter secondary school.

The scheme is an experi-

Most parents and local and national industries have welcomed the

initiative, and have given it instant ensupport. Curiously, ned everyone is quite so happy. A few parents have opted not to take part. They feel the one-to-one special attention brand their children as poor readers".

Some primary teachers see it as an affront to the work they have been doing for five years, while others object to knowledge of reading levels being discussed in public. Many are against extra study in school holidays.

All are surely missing the point. At issue here is not who tries to tackle the problem of poor literacy or when this takes place, but that we as a nation see the wisdom of constantly trying new ap-proaches to improve things. The ability to read is probably the most important skill

any child will need. It unlocks the door to so many opportunities and closes it to those who fail. We cannot afford to ignore the plight of the 20 per cent of pupils who leave school inadequate reading skills. Poor readers often become "wealth consumers"

rather than "wealth creators". The power of reading in the development of youngsters must be hammered home at an early stage. Schools cannot

do this alone. Studies have shown that children's reading improves dramatically when parents take an active interes

To help this, several pioneering schools have introduced schemes to help parents to understand this role. Homework clubs, parenting courses and helping with schoolwork sessions are boosting the confidence of parents and children

Sadly, it can be too late for some children who arrive at secondary school as poor readers. Constant failure earlier on, especially among boys, can destroy any interest and can convince them that reading is not for

them.

'Catch up time'

for teachers and

pupils will be hard

going for the next

few years. It is no

coincidence that two thirds of all

secondary students

excluded have poor

basic skills with

improves if parents take an active interest

Reading

reading ages three years below their chronological age. As a nation, we must surely see the sense of investing more time and money in our five and six-year-olds where basic skills are learnt. As costs and expectations of the public sector rise, it is clear there will never he enough money to go round, especially to exploit the

opportunities offered by com-

puter learning and IT. We should provide more teachers and funding in the early years. If we are to match our international competitors, we need to combat the anti-school feeling that exists and promote the wisdom of "learning for life". All communities must become total learning communities, where every available resource, every classroom and every computer is used day and night in an inventive, practical and cost-efficient manner to improve everyone's

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## Make time for the children

t is ten years since the last Government started consulting on the Education Reform Act. One of the Act's centrepieces, the national curriculum, has been found wanting. It has been revised

and will again be under review. Only at Key Stage 3 does the curriculum framework appear to have stood the test of time. At Key Stage 4, it is an ineffective ghost rather than an effective framework. It was at primary schools that Sir Ron Dearing, in 1994, aimed his revised national curriculum in the belief that it would free 20 per cent discretionary

As evidence for the review, the NUT commissioned Professor Maurice Galton. at Leicester University, to investigate the

fate of discretionary time.

The findings confirm what has always been obvious to primary teachers. The schools give the highest priority to mathematics and English. In the 350 primary schools in the study, 25 per cent of weekly teaching time is given over to interacy at Key Stage 1 and 23 per cent at Key Stage 2; figures over and above the hour a day recommended by the Government White Paper. The figures for numeracy, on average, equalled the White Paper's hour a day. Without the restric-tions of the curriculum, teachers said they

would devote more time to these subjects. As to the fate of discretionary time, most schools denied it existed. Only 8.3 per cent of those questioned said that the curricuhum requirements could be met within the 80 per cent of the time available. One head said: "It is meaningless. I cannot believe that schools take it seriously."

Doug McAvoy on

demands for an early review of the curriculum



Doug McAvoy: balanced curriculum

Equally serious, however, is that teachers believed that the very relationships needed between themselves and children to foster interest in learning were being damaged. The freedom and space needed to develop this interest is no longer there. This evidence is not new but, to date, it has been ignored by politicians. Other research commissioned by the NUT from

Professor John MacBeath, at Strathclyde

University, found similar time constraints. He said that "taking time and making time" for pupils was one of the strongest determinants of the school climate, staff morale, quality and

The absence of space and spontaneity in the primary curriculum and the absence of teacher time for each child has badly affected teacher morale. This has been compounded by the apparent ignorance of policy makers of the chemistry needed between teacher and child to encourage

he Government's priority is literacy and numeracy, particularly in pri-mary schools. This must be right. But if the evidence of the Leicester and Strathclyde Universities' reports are igmored then the Government's targets for

the millennium will not be met. The "top-down" curriculum has had its day. Teachers are beginning to talk again about building on the interests of the child and "magic moments" and there have been positive developments arising from the national curriculum. The core subjects provide a framework. A balanced and broadly based curriculum is something

for all to aspire to.

But what the Labour Government cannot afford to do is to leave the revision of the national curriculum until after the implementation of its strategy for promoting literacy and numeracy. Primary schools need a vote of confidence from the Government now.

The author is general secretary of the National Union of Teachers.

join. Mr Prichard's vision of the future is based on what he

has seen on computers. "In the

year 2015, you'll go to school

for discussion, drama, music

and sport. You'll be expected

to be there to report on what

you have done in front of your

computer. There's going to be

a shift towards the use of

technology in learning. How

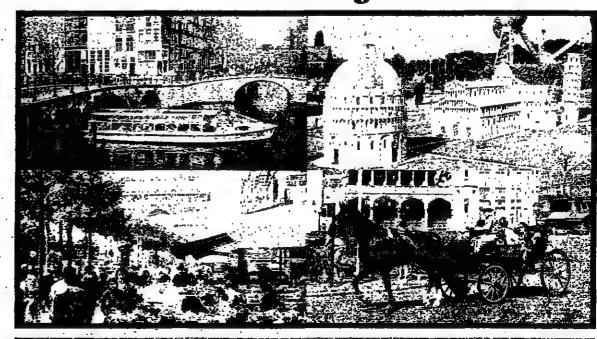
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SIR RON DEARING'S TEview of higher education offered a vision of university students in 20 years' time, learning electronically and working largely from home. David Prichard, the headmaster of Wycliffe College, in the Cotswolds, foresees a similar transformation in schools.

Mr Prichard, a former preparatory school head, says: Eton and Winchester will continue, but many schools will die or change completely. Classrooms will look more like they do in St Albans, Pretoria, where they have 100 children, each with a computer in front of them, working at their own speed and two or three teachers around ready to answer questions."

Mr Prichard, who was head of Port Regis for 25 years. where the Princess Royal sent her children, says: "Schools will no longer be for the dissemination of information:

## The classroom of the future

I can get that from the computer. But you'll still need a teacher to develop your intellect by stimulating discussion, encouraging your potential and sorting out what makes

Mr Prichard's revolutionary vision impressed Lord Griffiths, who was in charge of Baroness Thatcher's thinktank, and who used to invite him to Westminster to outline his views. He became head of Wycliffe three years ago when it was "heading very sharply. for the rocks". Senior mem-bers of the Headmasters Conference thought it would be the first school in membership to

The number of boarders it was attracting was on the decline, while the college's overdraft went up steadily. Mr Prichard had seen it all before at Port Regis, where he discovered on arrival that a third of the 90 pupils were due to leave

The school was £50,000 common room and "flogged" from the fireplaces.

the following July.

overdrawn, and desperate measures were needed. He sold laurel from the school's drive to Southampton undertakers, raised cash by selling

the antique furniture in the the 19th century Chinese tiles Mr Prichard says: "I was desperate to keep the ship

children to work in the library. he says. We were doing this with eight-year-olds at Port Regis. They would give up their free time and fight to get near a computer. It wasn't to play games, because that was forbidden: they were more than happy to do educational activities in their free time."

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## Stabbing foetus who is born alive then dies can be manslaughter

Attorney-General's Reference (No 3 of 1994)

Before Lord Goff of Chieveley, Lord Mustill, Lord Slynn of Hadley. Lord Hope of Craighead and Lord Clyde

[Speeches July 24]

Where an assailant stabbed a pregnant woman with the intention of harming her alone, but as a result of the attack she went into premature labour and her child. although born alive, subsequently died owing to its prematurity, the assailant could be convicted of

manslaughter but nor murder. The House of Lords so held on a reference under section 36 of the Criminal Justice Act 1972, on the following point of law:

"I Subject to proof by the prosecution of the requisite intent either case: whether the crimes of murder or manslaughter can be committed where unlawful injury is deliberately inflicted: (i) to a child in utero. (ii) to a mother carrying a child in utero, where the child is subsequently born alive. enjoys an existence independent of the mother, thereafter dies and the injuries inflicted while in utero either caused or made a substantial contribution to the death.

2 Whether the fact that the death of the child is caused solely as a consequence of injury to the mother rather than as a consequence of direct injury to the foetus can negative any liability for murder or manslaughter in the circumstances set out in question

woman in the face, back and abdomen. She received medical attention in hospital but was discharged in an apparently satisfactory state. Some days later and without further trauma she went into labour and gave birth to a premature child. S after 26 weeks gestation, who survived for only 121 days. The child had been

able contribution to her death. During S's lifetime B pleaded guilty to wounding the woman rith intent and was sentenced to four years imprisonment. On the death of the child he was charged with the child's murder but the indee ruled that, even were causalaw result in a conviction for

murder or manslaughter. He

wounded but that made no prov-

ordered B's acquittal. On the section 36 reference by the Attorney-General, the Court of Appeal, Criminal Division (Lord of Gosforth, Lord Chie Justice. Mr Justice Kay and Mrs. Justice Steel) (The Times November 39, 1995; [1996] QB 581] held that the requisite intent to be proved in the case of murder was in intention to kill or cause really serious bodily injury to the mother, the foetus before birth being viewed as an integral part of the was to be appropriately modified

in the case of manylaughter. Mr Simon Hawkesworth, QC ney-General.

LORD MUSTILL said that the reference involved a number of alternative assumptions of fact but he would concentrate on the hypothesis that the unlawful injury had been directed to the mother alone, with the intention of hurring her alone.

The arguments of counsel were founded on a series of rules which, whatever might be said about their justice or logic, were undeniable Those were:

I It was sufficient to raise a prima facie case of murder, subject to entire or partial excuses such as self-defence or provincation, for it to be proved that the defendant did the act which caused the death intending to kill the victim or to cause him at least grievous bodily

2 If the defendant did an act with the intention of causing a particular kind of harm to victim I, and unintentionally did that kind of harm to victim 2, then the intent to harm victim I might be added to the harm actually done to victim 2 in deciding whether the defendant had committed a crime towards victim 2

3 Except under statute, an embryo or foetus in utero could not be the victim of a crime of violence. In which caused its death in utero 4 The existence of an interval of

wrongful intent and its impact on the victim in a manner which led to death did not in itself prevent the intent, the act and the death from logether amounting to murder, so long as there was an unbroken causal connection between the act and the death.

5 Violence towards a foetus which resulted in harm suffered after the baby had been born alive could give rise to criminal responsibility even if the harm would not have been criminal, apart from statute, if it had been suffered in utero.

The Attorney-General had built on those rules in two different ways. The first argument was that the foetus was part of the mother so that an intention to cause really serious bodily injury to the mother was equivalent to the same intent directed towards the foetus.

That intent could be added to the actus reus, constituted by the creation of such a change in the environment of the factus through the injury to the mother that the baby would be born at a time when, as events proved, it would His Lordship said that the

rion was wholly unfounded in fact. The mother and the foetus were two distinct organisms living symbiotically, not a single or ganism with two aspects. The second argument related to

the focus as a separate organism. The Attorney-General had built on the rules stated above to argue that it was only a short step to make a

new rule, adding together the malice towards the mother, the contemporaneous starting of a train of events, and the coming to fruition of those events in the death.

of the buby after being born alive. The attractions of the argument were plain, not least its simplicity. but it was too dependent on the piling up of old fictions. There was a solid line of au-

thority decreeing that the grievous harm rule jrule II was the law, but it had to be recognised that it was an outcropping of old law from which the surrounding strata of rationalisations had weathered away. It survived but exemplified no principle which could be applied to a new situation.

Rule 2, referred to misleadingly as the doctrine of transferred malice, harked back to a concept of general malice, that a wrongful act played a malevolence which could be attached to any adverse consequence, which had long been out of date. It was not a "transfer" but created a new malice which never existed before

The doctrine was an arbitrary The doctrine was an arbitrary exception to general principles. It was useful enough to yield rough justice in particular cases and it could sensibly be retained not-withstanding its lack of any sound intellectual basis. But it was another matter to build a new rule

His Landship concluded that the existing rules were not based on principles sound enough to justify

intent to injure either the foetus or the child it would become. To give an affirmative ansa

required a double transfer of intent first from the mother to the foctus and then from the focus to the child as yet unborn. Then one would have in deploy the fiction, or at least the doctrine, which converted an intention to commit serious harm into the mens rea of-

murder. That was too much. His Lordship was willing to follow old laws until they were overturned, but not to make a new law on a basis for which there was no principle.

Even on a narrow approach the

argument broke down. The effect of transferred malice was that the intended victim and the actual victim were treated as if they were one, as if the latter had been the intended victim from the start. To make any sense of that process there had to be some compatibility between the original intention and the actual occur-

found in the cases. There was no such compatibility here. His Lordship concurred with Lord Hope on the question of manslaughter and would answer the questions in the sense proposed

rence, and that was what one

LORD HOPE said that the fact that the child was not yet born did not prevent the requirements for the actus reus from being satisfied. both for murder and man-slaughter in regard to her death.

whether the acquitted person had the ments rea. For the reasons stated by Lord Mustill, the mens rea for murder was not present.

Turning to manslaughter resulting from an unlawful and dangerous act, it was transcessary to prove that the assailant had known that his act was likely to injure the person who died as a

All that needed to be proved was that the assailant had intentionally done what he did, that the death was caused by it and that, applying an objective test, all sober and reasonable people would have recognised the risk that some harm would result. The act did not have to have been directed against the person who died as a result of

It had been submitted that since the foctus was not at the time of the unlawful act a living person, the offence of manslaughter could not offence of manslaughter could not be committed; and that, in any event, the act had to be dangerous towards persons who were alive when the danger manifested itself.

However, unlike the cases where the victim was already dead at the Burther harm model he clone to him. for the foctus life lay in the future. It could carry with it the effects of things done to it before birth which, after birth, might prove to

be harmful. It did not seem unreasonable therefore, on public policy grounds, to regard the child in this person, as within the scope of the mens rea which the assailant had when he stabbed her mother

before she was born. The unlawful and dangerous act had been the stabbing of the mother. As 8 had intended to commit that act, all the ingredients necessary for mens rea in regard to manslaughter were established, irrespective of who was the ul-

timate victim of it. The fact that the child whom the mother was carrying at the time was born alive and then died as a result of the stabbing was all that was needed for the offence of manslaughter when the actus reus for that crime was completed by the child's death.

The question, once the other were satisfied, was simply one of causation. There was no need to look to the doctrine of transferred malice for a solution to the problem raised in the case so fact as manslaughter was

His Lordship would answer the questions posed thus: 10 Did not arise on the facts, so decline to answer: (ii) Murder, no: Manslaughter, yes. 2 Murder, super-seded; Manslaughter, no.

Lord Slynn delivered a speci concurring with Lord Mustill and Lord Hope. Lord Goff and Lord Clyde agreed.

Solicitors: Blake Lapthorn for

## Assault and bodily harm by telephone call

Regina v Burstow Before Lord Coff of Chieveley. Lord Sivan of Hadley, Lord Steyn. Lord Hope of Craighead and Lord

Speeches July 24

The making of silent telephone calls which caused psychiatric injury to the victim amounted, in law, to have inflicted budily harm and an assault. An offence of inflicting grievous bodily harm, in law, could be committed where no physical violence was applied directly or indirectly to the body of

The House of Lords so held dismissing the appeals by the defendants. Robert Matthew Ireland and Anthony Christopher

Ireland appealed from the dis-missal by the Court of Appeal. Criminal Division (Lord Justice Swinton Thomas, Mr Justice Tucker and Mr Justice Douglas Brown) (The Times May 22, 1996; [1997] QB [14] of his appeal against conviction on February 6, 1995 at Newport (Gwent) Crown Court

Judge Prosser, QC). Ireland, having pleaded guilty to three counts of assault occasioning actual bodily harm contrary to ection 47 of the Offences against the Person Act 1861, was sentenced to a total of three years imprisonment on March 10, 1995.

missal by the Court of Appeal, Criminal Division (Lord Bingham of Cornhill, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Owen and Mr Justice Connell) (The Times July 30, 1996: |1997| I Cr App R 144) of his appea against conviction on March 4, 1996 in Reading Crown Court

(Judge Josh Lait and a jury).
Burstow, having pleaded guilty to unlawfully and maliciously inflicting grievous bodily harm contrary to section 20 of the 1861

Act, was sentenced to three years Mr Malcolm Bishop, QC and Mr Philip Richards for Ireland:

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Jones, QC and Mr Roger V. Griffiths for the Crown. Mr Peter Feinberg, QC and Mr

Andrew Turton for Burstow: Mr Bruce Houlder, QC and Mr Paul W. Reid for the Crown. LORD STEYN said that it was easy to understand the terrifying effect of a campaign of telephone

calls at night by a silent caller to a woman living on her own. It would be natural for the victim to regard the calls as menacing. What might heighten her fear was that she would not know what the

caller might do next. The spectre of the caller arriving at her doorstep bent on inflicting personal violence on her might come to dominate her thinking. After all, as a matter of common terrified about? The victim might suffer psychiatric illness.

peated silent telephone calls. accompanied on occasions by heavy breathing, was apparently a significant social problem. That the criminal law should be able to deal with the problem, and so far as was practicable, afford effective protection to victims was saif

evident. provided effective criminal sanctions for such cases one must turn to the 1861 Act. In descending order of seriousness the familiar trilogy

of sections provided "18 Whosever shall unlawfully and maliciously by any means bodily harm to any person ... with intent ... to do some grievous

bodily harm to any person ... shall be guilty of felony. . . "30 Whosoever shall unlawfully and maliciously ... inflict any grievous bodily harm upon any other person, either with or without any weapon or instrument.

shall be guilty of a misemeanour..." "47 Whosoever shall be convicted upon an indictment of any assault occasioning actual bodily

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harm shall be liable [to An ingredient of each of the offences was bodily harm to a person. In respect of each section, threshold question was therefore whether a psychiatric illness. as testified to by a psychiatrist,

could amount to bodily harm. If the answer to the question was consider whether the persistent silent caller, who terrified his victim and caused her to suffer a psychlatric illness, could be criminally liable under any of the

Similar problems arose where the so-called stalker pursued a campaign of harassment by more diffused means. He might intend to terrify the woman and succeed in doing so, by relentlessly follow-ing her, by unnecessarily appear-ing at her home and workplace

and so forth. The correct approach was to 1861 Act considered in the light of contemporary knowledge covered a recognisable psychiatric injury.

The proposition that the Vic-torian legislator when enacting those sections would not have had in mind psychiatric illness was no doubt correct. Psychiatry was in its infancy in 1861. But the subjective intention of the draftsman was

immaterial. The only relevant inquiry was as to the sense of the words in the context in which they were used. Moreover the 1861 Act was a statute of the "always speaking" preted in the light of the best current scientific appreciation of the link between the body and

psychiatric injury.

Accordingly, "bodily harm" in the sections must be interpreted so as to include recognisable psychiatric illness: see R v Chan-Fook (1994) I WLR 689).

Counsel stressed that there was a difference between "causing" grievous bodily harm in section 18 and "inflicting" grievous bodily harm in section 20. The question was whether as a

Regina v Moringiello

to the accused.

Where allegations were made that

during the hearing of evidence the

judge fell asleep, a complaint had to be made at the time so that minds could be concentrated on

the nature of the alleged prejudice

The Court of Appeal, Criminal

Division (Lord Justice McCowan, Mr Justice Tucker and Mr Justice

Laws) so stated on June 26 in

dismissing an appeal by Thomas Guy Moringiello against his conviction in June 1996 at

Liverpool Crown Court Judge

Hamilton and a jury) of one count

of obtaining services by deception.

matter of current usage the contex-tual interpretation of "inflict" could embrace the idea of one person inflicting psychiatric injury on another. One could, without straining the language in any way, answer that question in the

For those reasons the certified question, namely: "Whether an offence of inflicting grievous bodily harm under section 20 ... can be committed where no physical vi-olence is applied directly or in-directly to the body of the victim. would be answered in the ffirmative.

It was necessary to consider whether making allent telephone calls causing psychiatric injury was capable of constituting an assault under section 47.

An assault was an ingredient of the offence under section 47. An assault might take two forms. The first was battery which involved the unlawful application of force by the defendant upon the victim. The second form was an act causing the victim to apprehend an imminent application of force

It was not feasible to enlarge the generally accepted legal meaning of what was a battery to include the circumstances of a silent caller

the critical question w hether a silent caller might be guilty of an assault. The answer the facts". There was no reason why a telephone caller who said to a woman in a menacing way: "I will be at your door in a minute or two" might not be guilty of an assault if he caused his victim to

apprehend immediate personal vi-Accordingly, an assault might be committed in the particular factual

Lord Hope delivered a concur ring opinion and Lord Goff, Lord Sivnn and Lord Hutton agreed. Solicitors: Evans & Ellis. Chepstow; Crown Prosecution Ser-

Hart Brown, Woking: Crown Prosecution Service, Reading.

LORD JUSTICE McCOWAN

said that a representative of the

appellant's solicitors, who was present at the trial, had sworn an

affidavit in support of the conten-tion that the judge was askep during part of the evidence.

Such an allegation had to be

at it could be known which parts

specific and made at the time so

of the evidence the judge was supposed to have missed. The fact

that a judge might have fallen

askeep during part of the trial did not necessarily mean that prej-

udice had been caused to the

appellant.

## Credibility of defence witnesses

Regina v Brown (Winston) Before Lord Goff of Chieveley, Lord Slynn of Hadley, Lord Hope of Craighead, Lord Clyde and Lord

Hutton Speeches July 241 Ensuring that a defendant had a

fair trial did not require that defence witnesses should be im-mune from challenge as to their credibility. The prosecution was under no duty at common law to disclose material relevant only to the credibility of a defence witness.

The House of Lords dismissed

an appeal by Winston Brown from the Court of Appeal, Criminal Division (Lord Justice Steyn, Mr Justice Owen and Mr Justice Ian Kennedy) (The Times June 20, 1994; 1994) I WLR 1599), who had dismissed his appeal against his conviction on June 18, 1993 at Manchester Crown Court Judge Rhys Davies, QC and a jury) of wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm contrary to sec-tion 18 of the Offences against the

Person Act 1861. Mr Richard Henriques, QC and Mr Ian McMeekin for the defen-dant: Mr Michael Shorrock, QC and Mr Alan D. Conrad for the

LORD HOPE said that the common law was relevant because on June 18, 1993. As regarded things falling to be done after April those in Part I of the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act

the Crown had failed to disclose tended to reflect on the credibility of two witnesses who had been

called for the defence at the trial. it was submitted that non-disclosure of that information had amounted to a material irregularity in the course of the trial rendering the conviction unsafe and unsatisfactory.

Much of the discussion in the

Court of Appeal had been taken up with examination of the Attorney-General's guidelines (see Practice Note (Criminal Evidence: Unused Material) (1982) 1 All ER 734) which Crown counsel said had protected the information from

But, as Lord Justice Steyn had explained below (at ppl604-1606) me had moved on since they were issued. No doubt as a result of Lord Justice Steyn's carefully worded criticisms, they were no longer relied on by prosecutors, and Mr Shorrock had not sought to resurrect that part of the

The rules of disclosure developed by the common law owed their origin to the elementary right of every defendant to a fair trial. To have a fair trial he must have adequate notice of the case to be made against him. The rules of natural justice also had to

As Lord Taylor of Gosforth, Lord Chief Justice, had observed in R v Keane (1994) 1 WLR 746, 750). the great principle was that of open justice. It would be contrary to that principle for the prosecution to

terial that might undermine their case against him or assist his

Those were the rules on which sections 3 and 7 of the 1996 Act had been based, but they had already found their expression in decisions by the courts: see Dallison v. Caffery [1965] I QB 348, 359, 375); R v Hennessey (Timothy) (1979) 68 Cr App R 419, 426); R v Ward (1993] I WLR 619, 645, 674; R v. Keane (at pp751-752) and the decision of the Court of Appeal in the present case (at pp1606 and

But what of material relating only to the credibility of the defence witnesses? There was no guidance in the cases as to whether the duty of disclosure extended that far.

Two cuestions arose: -I Was it reasonable to distinguish material that might asset the defence case from material that related only to the credibility of the defence witnesses and 2 Was it consistent with the general

principle of fairness to say that the Crown was not under a legal duty to disclose material relevant only to a defence witness's credibility? In posing those questions, his Lordship was concerned not with the defendant but only with the

It was enough for an affilmistive answer to the tirst to say that much of the material regularly rised in practice to test a witness's credibil-ty, was entirely irrelevant to the was guilty or innocent of the offence, with which he was charged. The issues of fact raised the material that might be used by the prosecutor to test the credibility of the defence witnesses.

As to the second, the principle of context of the public interest in the detection and punishment of crime. A defendant was entitled to a fair trial, but fairness did not require that his witnesses should be immune from challenge as to their credibility.

Nor did it require that he be

provided with assistance by the Crown in the investigation of the defence case or the selection, on the ground of credibility, of the de-The legal representation to which he was entitled had the responsibility of performing those functions on his behalf. The pros-

ecutor's duty was to prosecute the case fairly and openly in the public

interest. It was not part of his duty to conduct the case for the defence. Fairness was preserved by the existing rules of disclosure and by ensuring that the defendant had adequate time and facilities for the

preparation of his defence. The defence could then be assumed to be in possession of all that was needed to decide which which to reject on the ground of credibility.

If was unnecessary to extend the duty, of disclosure by the pros-

the defendant had a fair trial. Clyde and Lord Hutton agreed. Solicitors: Tom Burke & Co. Manchester: Crown Prosecution

#### Triggering buyer's right to return goods It was common ground that the

The Electronics Boutique

Stores (UK) Ltd Before Lord Justice Auld, Lord Justice Phillips and Lord Justice

Lludement July 10] A letter in general terms stating that a buyer intended to return goods under a sale or return agreement was sufficient to trigger buyer's right to return the

grods. It was not necessary that the goods be available for immediare collection by the seller, merely that they would be available for The Court of Appeal so held allowing an appeal by the defen-dant. The Electronics Boutique Stores (UK) Ltd against Mr Justice Hooper who on July 29, 1996 ordered payment of £369.611.16 to the plaintiff, Alari Corporation

(UK) Ltd. pursuant to a contract for the supply of electronic com-puter games and hardware. Mr Nicholas Underhill, QC and Mr Murray Shanks for the defendant; Mr George Leggan, QC. for

LORD JUSTICE WALLER said the sale agreement provided for payment in full by November 1995

Atari Corporation (UK) Ltd v and "full sale or return until January 31, 1996". The defendants had written to the plaintiffs on

lanuary 19, 1996 stating: "A review of all formats within the Electronic Boutique chain has recently taken place and the out-come was that Atari Jaguar is to be no longer stocked within the chain ... All stores have been requested to return all Jaguar stock to our central warehouse and when this is all received we will submit to you

a complete list of what you will need to raise return authorisation numbers against." The plaintiff replied: "We believe you have lost the right to return the goods to us as you were in breach of contract by not selling the invoices relating to the initial order on the due date."

The point about failure to pay having deprived the defendants of their right to sale or return was not subsequently pursued, and the anuary 19 letter was not a notice 1 It postulated some future action being taken in order to exercise the

right of rejection;
2 It failed to describe the goods with sufficient particularity;
3 The defendants did not have the goods available to them when the notice was served.

fifts contended that to exercise the give notice in conformity with certain criteria. The January 19 letter had merely indicated that a list would be prepared at some

Mr Leggett had contended that the notice must specify with pre-cision the goods that were being returned and that the buyers must have the goods physically available so the sellers could collect them immediately....

Mr Underhill had submitted that the letter obviously referred to unsold stock. He suggested the notice that was required simply triggered the seller's right to come uncertainty about the goods would removed when then the seller

In his Lordship's view the letter did give notice that the defendants right to return all unsold stock. It was not saying the stock was immediately available. From the moment they wrote the letter the defendants had no right to con-tinue to sell the stock they had left. The letter was saying that it would take a little time to collect the stock, so that the sellers could

collect after allowing a reasonable and that the defendants would prepare lists to help with the handover and accounting. In his Lordship's view the January 19 letter was a good notice exercising the right of sale or return and the appeal would be allowed.

LORD JUSTICE PHILLIPS agreed that the appeal should be allowed. Just as the plaintiffs had no entitlement to immediate notification of precisely which goods for contending that they were entitled to immediate notification

LORD JUSTICE AULD said the maxim id certum est quod certum reddi potest (that is certain which can be rendered certain) applied: see Mannai Investment Co Ltd v Eagle Star (The Times May 26,

To require that the goods be available at the time of issue of the notice was wrong in law, and would be likely in most cases to introduce an uncommercial out-

### 28 counts of obtaining property by deception and one count of evading a liability by deception for which he was sentenced to concurrent Their Lordships were not pre-pared to accept fresh evidence pur forward on the appellant's behalf.

Did judge fall asleep?

#### Luxembourg Refunding value-added tax on bad debts payable in kind

Commissioners of Customs

Before G. F. Mancini, President of Sinth Chamber and Judges C. N. Kakouris, P. J. G. Kapteyn, G. Hirsch and R. Schintgen Advocate General A. La Pergola

(Onimon February 27) Judgment July 3 A member state could not limit the right to a refund of value-added tax transactions in which the consid-

amount of VAT by an amount of VAT corresponding to the services not provided by R Ltd. Finance Act 1990 provided that the right to refund of VAT in the case

or services were supplied for a consideration in money. On Goldsmith's appeal, the tribunal referred the question whether the derogation in article 11(C)(I) of the Sixth Directive permitted the exclusion of relief where the consideration lost con-

payment ... the taxable amount shall be reduced accordingly under conditions which shall be determined by the member states. However, in the case of total or partial non-payment, member states may derogate from this In its judgment the Sixth Chamber of the Court of Justice held:

constituting the consideration historical. That provision embodied a fundamental principle of the directive: that the basis of assessment was the consideration actually received

> article II(C)(I) defined the cases in which the member states were required to ensure that the taxable

notion that in certain circumstances non-payment of consideration might be difficult to. establish or only temporary.

that power had to be justified, if the measures taken by the member states for its implementation were not to undermine the objective of the directive. With regard to section II of the 1990 Act, the United Kingdom sought to justify the refusal to

there was a greater risk of evasion where the unpoid consideration was not expressed in money. That justification was unacceptable for two reasons.

First, measures intended to pre-

vent tax evasion or avoidance

could not in principle derogate from the basis for charging VAT laid down in article II except within the limits strictly necessary for achieving that specific aim-By excluding, from the refund of VAT, generally and systematically all transactions alike in which the consideration was not expressed in money, legislation such as that in

issue altered the taxable amount

for that class of transactions in a

manner which went beyond what

avoid the risk of tax evasion. Second, neither article 11(A)(1)(a) nor article R(C)() drew any distinction between consideration in money and consideration in

Naturally Yours Cosmetics Ltd v Commissioners of Customs and Excise (1988) ECR 6365, para 16). The refusal to refund VAT in the case of transactions in which the

traders from entering into barter contracts, although such contracts were not, in financial of commer-

The United Kingdom had asked that, in the event of the derogation being construed as not authorising a refusal to refund VAT where the unpaid consideration was in kind. the temporal effects of the judgment be limited, as such a construction would raise very seri-ous problems for the United Kingdom and other member states which had interpreted the deroga-tion in good faith.

However, no tangible proof of such alleged problems had been put forward, and hence there should be no departure from the principle that a ruling on interpretation took effect as from the

On a proper construction, the derogation provided for in the second sub-paragraph of article II(C)(I) of the Sixth Directive did not authorise a member state which enacted provisions for the refund of VAT in the case of total or partial non-payment of the consideration to refuse that refund where the unpaid consideration was in ...

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of precisely which goods remained unsold and were being rejected by

come and uncertainty.

Solicitors: Brookstreet des Roches, Witney: Barnett Alexander

**European Law Report** 

Case C-330/95

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The Sixth Chamber of the Court of Justice of the European Communities so held on a request by a Manchester VAT Tribunal for a preliminary ruling by a reference under article 177 of the EC Treaty on a question of interpretation of article [[(C)()] of Sixth Council Directive 77/388/EEC of May 17. 1977 on the harmonisation of the laws of the member states relating to turnover taxes: common system of value added tax: uniform basis of assessment (OJ 1977 L145 pl).
Goldsmiths concluded a con-

Goldsmiths (Jewellers) Ltd v tract for the supply to R Ltd of case of ... total or partial nonjewels in eachange for advertising services. It supplied jewels to a certain value, declared that supply in its VAT return and paid the corresponding VAT to the anthorities. After providing some advertising services, R Ltd became insolvent, and it was wound up before it could perform all its barter obligations.

> The adjustment was refused on the ground that section !! of the of bad debts was subject to the

> sisted of something other than

Article H(C) provides: "(I) In the

Geldsmiths accordingly adjusted its VAT declaration for a Article II(A)(I)(a) of the directive provided, with a view to transounising the taxable amount. later period, reducing the net

that the amount chargeable for

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and that the tax authorities could not in any circumstances charge an amount of VAT exceeding the tax paid by the taxable person. It was in accordance with that principle that the liest sentence of

amount was reduced. The power of derogation in the second sentence was based on the

was strictly necessary in order to It followed that the exercise of

For the purpose of those provisions it was sufficient if the consideration was capable of being expressed in money: Case 230/87 refund the tax on the ground that

> consideration was to be paid in kind led to discrimination against transactions of that type as compared with those in which the consideration was expressed in money. The distinction discouraged

were not, in financial to commercial terms, in any way different from transactions may way different from transactions may be expressed in money, and consequently restricted traces freedom to choose the contract which they considered to be the most spinel to Sinsiving their economic interests.

date on which the rule interpreted came into force. On those grounds the Court ruled:

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FRIDAY ICTYS

GOLF: SOUTH AFRICANS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF BENIGN CONDITIONS IN FIRST ROUND AT ROYAL PORTRUSH

## Player prospers in the role of senior statesman

By PATRICIA DAVIES

IN THE first round of the Senior British Open at Royal Portrush yesterday, Gary Player, suitably clad, managed a very fair impersonation of the man in black who won nine major championships.

South African, now 61 and recently recovered from a double herma operation, started with three birdies and finished with a 68, four under par. to share second place with Dave Eichelberger, an American having his first taste of links golf. They trailed John Bland, the South African who was rookie of the year on the senior: tour in the United States last season, by two shots.

There was scarcely a breath of wind on a beautiful morning that could have been painted by the tourist board and the formidable Dunluce. course, which is one of the greatest in the world, according to Bland and Player. allowed the early birds licence to plunder. Bland, who has won ap-

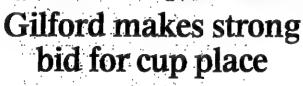
proaching \$2.5 million (about £1.5 million) since he reached 50 in September 1995, missed only two greens - at the 7th and the 16th, where he

matching halves of 33, with four birdies and one bogey a side. "A good day's work," was Bland's summation. "I took advantage of the wonderful conditions."

Bland, ten years younger than Player, paid tribute to the older man's influence. "Gary's the most important sportsman to come out of South Africa." he said. "He set a wonderful" standard and made us realise how good he was and how good we had to be Even today, Ernie Els can go to places where Gary holds the course record and not get near it. Gary has always been the man in South African golf."

Player, who received an honorary doctorate of science from the University of Ulster

LEADING SCOTHE (CE and intend with stated) 98: J Bland (SA) 58: G Player (SA), D Echeberger (US) 68: J Huston, G Burtoughs, J Rhodes, C Evers (US), L Hogers, D Daizel (US) 70: T R Jones (US), N Faicidle (Aus), B Bernes, B Hurri, D Butter –71: D Creamer, T Wango (US), Hichardson, B Merner (US), G Parsina, S Lencaster (US), G Parsina (Aus), T Horton, B Verwey (SA) 72: H Jackson, A Gamdo (So), M Gregson, T Grubb, B Irvang (US), P Leonard, N Coles, J M Roce (So), A Croce (N), R Vucnich (US), 78: J Cado (Sp), D Sirson (US), N Wood, R Bernerdim (II), B Hardwick (Con), S Huggett, B Wates, M Bernbridge, I Clark, D Hutch, K Cox (US), H lagge (SA), D Srell.



BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

David Gilford, still hoping to make the Ryder Cup team this year, had conflicting fortunes in the first round of the Dutch Open in Hilversum yes-

Torrance, troubled with muscle problems just below his shoulders, had a disappointing three-over-par 74. after deciding to play only an hour before the start. Gilford, who had to withdraw from the Open Championship qualifying last week because of a back problem, is fully fit under-our 65, just one shot behind Robert Coles, the surprise leader, from Essex:

Torrance, in thirteenth place in the Ryder Cup table and in need of a tournament victory after a lean year, had His 64 was a career-best score.

SAM TORRANCE and physic treatment early yesterday, after admitting he had had "a pretty sleepless night" because of the pain.

He will need an outstanding round even to make the halfway cut as more than half the field shot par or better. Gilford, nineteenth in the Cup table, says he needs to win at least one tournament

and be high up in two others to make the Cup team. He had four birdies in his outward 32 and three more coming home, with only one bogey, at the loth, and joined again and proved it with a six- Roger Chapman, who had seven birdies and an eagle, plus three bogeys in his 65, in second place. But Coles had the most consistent round of the day with nine birdies and only two bogeys on his card. at Coleraine earlier in the week, is still throwing himself after the ball with as much relish as ever, but lamented a poor finish. He took three putts at the 16th for a bogey and managed only a par five at the 17th, which was playing downwind for him (the breeze got up and changed direction later). He said he was not hitting the ball as well as when he won the 160th tournament of his career, in Japan five weeks ago - only four weeks after the operation, which caused him to lose ten pounds in weight. However, he putted Eichelberger won four times In his early life on the US Tour but never played in the Open. "I didn't think ! was good enough," he said, "and I very much regret not playing now.

My two sons live in London and they persuaded me to come over for this and I'm really enjoying It." Not surprisingly, given that he had three birdies in the last four holes, including a partic-

ularly showy finish: a six-iron to 18 inches at the last. By contrast, Graham Burroughs, from Essex, dropped two shots in the last four holes. but could scarcely be disappointed with a round of 69, three under par. After all, he had been all set to head for the ferry home after a round of 77. in the pre-qualifying here on Tuesday. A thunderstorm persuaded him to hang on and he found himself in a five man play-off for two places. Nicknamed "Conger" because he enjoys fishing for eels Burroughs wriggled through

and made the most of it. Brian Barnes, the defending champion, drove beautifully his assessment — on his way to a 70 but admitted his injured knee was sore. "I'm going to have ice on it and stick it up in the air," he said. He has been having intensive physiotherapy from Alice Trufelli, the wife of a former club captain, and has been stocking up on painkillers. "A couple of large brandies would be better." Barnes smiled, knowing he must never drink again. "I don't know about honorary degrees," he said, "but I'm on my fifth medal from Alcoholics Anonymous, one for every year you



#### RUGBY LEAGUE

## Bears bank on the unexpected

MOST of the half-dozen European victories in the world club championship have occurred when least expected (Christopher Irvine writes). Oldham Bears, the bottom side in the Stones Super League, sent out an unequivocal message about the Australian teams being far from invincible when they upset North Queensland Cowboys a

week ago. Tonight, Oldham complete their programme in the transglobal competition at Boundary Park against a revamped Adelaide Rams, who also discovered at Leeds Rhinos that

straightforward victories at home do not necessarily translate into victory in the return

No European team has managed more than one Australian scalp. If Oldham could avenge their 42-14 defeat last month at Adelaide, then they would be well placed in European pool B for a play-off place at the fourth-placed team in pool A - at this stage, St

Well as St Helens played on Monday to restrict the margin of defeat at Cronulla Sharks to 16 points, an unaltered side will have to perform above itself today to shackle Auckland Warriors, whose only change from the 64-14 victory over Bradford Bulls is the reappearance at full back of Matthew Ridge, their captain.

Bradford, unbeaten in 17 outings in the domestic Super League, had a chastening experience at Auckland their fourth successive world championship defeat. Robbie Paul's broken thumb is not expected to prevent his comeback against Penrith Panthers next Monday but Steve McNamara sustained a calf injury and will not play any

#### SPORT IN BRIEF

### Graham challenges world champions

HEROL GRAHAM could get another chance to win an elusive world boxing title. Panix, the promotion company behind the Sheffield man, has made offers to both Steve Cullins, the WBO super-middleweight champion, and Robin Reid, the WBC title-holder, in a letter to Frank Warren, who promotes the two champions, Graham, who was widely criticised for coming back at the age of 37, after an absence of four years, surprised the experts 12 days ago when he stopped the highly-rated Chris Johnson, of Canada.

Lennox Lewis has asked the WBC to appoint Mills Lane as the referee for his WBC heavyweight title defence against Andrew Golota - who has been disqualified three times in his career - in Atlantic City on October 4. Lane was in charge of the recent bouts between Mike Tyson and Evander Holyfield and Lewis and Henry Akinwande, both of which ended in disqualifications.

#### Academy put on hold

POLITICS IN SPORT: The Government is to review proposals for an academy of sport in Britain after problems emerged with all three of the greenfield sites under consideration. The Department of Culture, Media and Sport is reluctant to commit about £100 million of Lottery money without further consultation and a conference in London this autumn could be the first stage of that process.

#### Smith seeks record

SWIMMING: Michelle Smith, right, the triple Olympic champion from Ireland, will chase the world short-course record for 200 metres butterfly in Belfast today. Mary Meagher, of the United States, swam 2min 05.65sec in 1981 and Smith's time will determine whether she defends her two European titles next month. will only go to the

European championships in Seville if I can do myself justice," Smith, 27. said.



#### Luckman on target

RIFLE SHOOTING: Andy Luckman, 26, an accountant from Surrey, who represents the Sedgemoor club from his native Somerset, won the Grand Aggregate, the overall Bisley championship, yesterday. He scored a record 597 points out of a possible 705 in the ten main events of the week. Luckman, who came into the sport through the Somerset ACF, won the title for the first time at the age of 23.

#### Scotland's aim is true

CRICKET: Scotland claimed the Triple Crown by beating an England Amateur XI 3-2 in a bowl-out at Walsall after their final was abandoned with Scotland on 70 for two from 17 overs. Wales were awarded the wooden spoon after missing the stumps seven times to lose to Ireland 4-0 in another bowl-out at Moseley CC. Alan Lewis. 32, an all-rounder, had earlier won a record 119th cap for Ireland.

#### McGregor coasts home

CYCLING: Yvonne McGregor, the fastest qualifier in the women's national 3,000 metres pursuit at Manchester, raced to a semi-final tie and almost certainly her fourth successive title vesterday when she eliminated Clare Gross at the half distance in the quarter-final round and coasted to the finish. She said before the start that she would not be racing at full speed but saving her reserves for the semi-final round.

SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

#### By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent

One of the most useful pieces of advice that you can give to a declarer is "think before you play to trick one". Failure to follow such advice is one of the greatest causes of declarer error and it is this that I am going to look at over the next few weeks in the Friday Refreshers.

The simplest hold-up play occurs when a defender leads the king from K Q J x x against Three No-Trumps, and declarer has Axx in that suit facing a small doubleton. The other defender has three small cards in the suit led along with an ace that declarer needs to dislodge before having nine tricks. The text books then show the importance of ducking the first two rounds of the suit, thus cutting the defence's communications and restricting the opening leader to two tricks in his suit.

The following is a slightly more advanced example of the same

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WORD WATCHING

By Philip Howard

DORP

a Flattery

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b. To stare rudely

a. A cocoa tree

b. A Spanish dance

c. A type of fine lace

Answers on page 42

against Three No-Trumps. wins the continuation and Declarer won with dummy's ace and played a diamond. Fast was on his toes and went in with the king to return a second spade. Declarer ducked but West continued the suit. When he got in with the ace of diamonds he could cash his spades, beating Three No-Trumps by one trick. Look at the effect of declarer section on Saturday.

a. A small pet 🗼

b. A cloud formation

a. Publicity

b. Hue and cry

c A poor ship

c. A primitive language

BALLYHOO OF BLAZES

West led the queen of spades ducking the first spade. He get in and cash them.

plays a diamond. It does not benefit East to go in with the Sport and in the Weekend

king for he has no spades left. West can win the ace and continue spades, establishing the suit, but he has no entry to Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in

Scotch Gambil

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KEENE on CHESS

By RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT

#### Staunton memorial

Since 1993 a committee led by Nigel Short, artist Barry Martin and Brian Clivaz, formerly Simpson's-in-the-Strand, which as a chess club used to be one of Staunton's haunts. have laboured to produce a fitting monument to him.

At Ilam on Monday July 28 a black granite memorial with chess knight motif will be unveiled at Kensal Green, and a curtain can be drawn over decades of neglect of one of our greatest chess personalities. Those wishing to attend the memorial service should notify chess-playing artist Barry Martin in advance on 0181-744 2868 or at 98 Cole Park Road, Twickenham TWI

In the following game Staunton shows that he was well aware of a strategy later patented by Nigel Short, namely the acquisition of isolated doubled pawns in the centre, which can later be used as a battering ram to pummel the opposition into submission. Staunton's reputation is commonly held to be that of a cautious strategic player, but this game also demonstrates his great attacking flair.

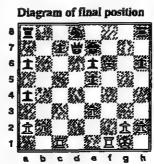
London 1851

Black: Von Jaenisch

White: Howard Staunton

0-0 Bxe3 Nid Nd8 Ng5 Rec1 86 Qd7

Qc2 19 Og6+ 20 Ne5 21 Qx6+ Black resigns



Times book

The Times Winning Moves 2 contains 240 chess puzzles from international grandmaster Raymond Keene's daily column in The Times, and is available now from bookshops or from B. T. Batsford Ltd (tel: 01376 321276 at £6.99 plus postage and packing).

□ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

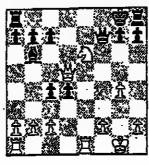
WINNING MOVE

### By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the game Richards -Lokok, Denmark 1975. The constricted position of the black king gives White a good opportunity for a quick tactical finish. Can you see

what he played?

Solution on page 42



## **ATHLETICS**

VILLMANSTRAND, Finland: Informational meeting: Men: 800m; 1, D. Kiptoo (Ken) Imm 45 08sa; 2 W. Tartu (Ken) 145 55; 3, D. Marme As. (reg.) 145 65 1,900m; 1, M. Keno (Ken) 328 49; 2; W. Tartu (Ken) 338 58; 3, Elijah Usaru (Ken) 329 61; 3,000m; 1, L. Kipuchter Nano 7 52 93; 2; J. Kosser (Ken) 7 53 43; 3; M. Kondia (Fini) 7 55 91; 3,000m sleeplechase; 1. J. Kandie (Ken) 8 26 03; 2; B. Barmao (Ken) 8 36 68; 3; M. Sang (Ken) 8 36 65; 10m hundles; 1, E. Santi (US) 13 58 sec; 2; G. Gondersen (Kor) 13 66; 2; A. Haladaccish (Fin) 12 74 Shot; 1, M. Halvali, (Fin) 20 7 Fin; 2; B. Miler (US) 19 65; 3; A. Harpi (Fin) 23 2 Javolin; 1. D. Sid (Est) 76 56m; 2, T. Hustitamen (Fin) 74 73; 3, A. Pelsansen (Fin) 72 22 Woomen; 1, S00m; 1, N. Mugo (Ken) 4 15 54 55; 2. S. Auchtin, 15 54 55; 2. S. A. Auchtin, 15 54 55; 2. S. A. Auchtin, 15 54 56; 2. J. Alaranga (Men); 4 15 54; 3; 3. S. Bartosto (Ken); 4 14 16; 400m; hundles; 1. S. Bordulous (Huss); 57 33; 2. P. Pescola (Fin); 52 25; 5; 4. Kumbin, 16n; 57 65 (Javolin); 1. Hotocstad (Man); 65 00m; 2, H. Rantanon; (Fin); 62 80; 3; K. Massu, (Fin); 49 78.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Beine 8 Chicago White Son 6, Now 1 st Vanwies 5 Analysm 4; Caldand 5 Bouton 2 Seaths 8 Cleveters 3. Toronto 3 Ministrate 0, Namas Cry 5 Minnesota 1, Battimore I Tevas 2 (12 mms) MATIONAL LEAGUE : Phrago Cuos 3 Allarta 1, San Francisco 16 Philadelphia 4 Roma 8 Conumica 7 Houston 7 St Louis 2, New York Hebr 2 Los Angeles 1, San Diego 9 Pilisburgh 1

ENGLISH ASSOCIATION CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS Singles. Regional finals: P Ward (Scuthernot or Sports) or P Matouri (Summertown 21-4, 5 Jespos (Micre Rock) for J Sulhean (Hore and Engyster) 21-16, T Lee (Nottingham Cirk, or T T James Thrapsoci 21-16 J Hopas, (Wed Backwall) of 21-16 V Hopas, (Wed Backwall) of A Hubbar (Pyrmstach) 21-18 A Jackson (Broadwar) of G Burgers, (Gif Edge) 21-20 F Role, (Felcon) for A Backwall thermer Park 21-18, G Smith Shepherds Bush Chosen for P White (Headcom) 21-19: R Cyres (Roker Mormer for R Den) (Apply.br), 21-15

CYCLING

MANCHESTER: BCF reational track chemporosthess. Open 40km points. 25km heats. Heat one. 1, 5 Sicci Manchester Phoure/ 25ct 2 F Hayes Team Antronal 23, 3 M Bingarom, Harton CC; 25 Time: 3 Timer CS abset Heat byto. 1, J Hagesaves, Strotters Vin 50pp 2, J Taylor Heaton CC; 16 S, A Werfungton IVC St Rephael 12 Timer 37:20 55 Heat three 1. P West (Anctas SoCor), 15pts 2, 5 Cope WS Bas Group 16 3 J Ctty (Manchester Ph) 16. Times 31°C: 20. Weater 6, 2000 pursual (qualitying TT): 1 Y McGregor (Adocas-SoCor): 3mn 55;95sec. 2, M Ward (Condor Creae, PT) 2, 51,807,3, S Boyden (McGregor (Adocas-SoCor): 3mn 55;95sec. 2, M Ward (Condor Creae, PT) 3,51,807,3, S Boyden (McGregor (Adocas-SoCor): 3mn 55;95sec. 2, M Ward (Condor Creae, PT) 3,51,807,4, Y Fasel IVC Concress 1,53,3412,5, Z Andorson (Team Lisson, 5,58).

Wednesday's late results
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Bekgradie (Yug) 1 FC Crustia Zagreb (Cro)
0; Valletta (Marta) 1 Stanto Rea (Lai) 0
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CYCLING: VIRENQUE UNABLE TO CLOSE GAP ON LEADING GERMAN

# Victory in sight as Ullrich survives final challenge

FROM JEREMY WHITTLE · IN MONTBELLARD

JAN ULLRICH, the leader of the Tour de France, experienced his most uncomfortable moments since donning the yellow jersey as Richard Virenque, the Frenchman lying second overall, made one final attempt to catch the German on the eighteenth stage, through the hilly Vosges

region, here yesterday. However, the complexity of team rivalries and Virenque's own tactical confusion allowed Ullrich, aided by Udo Bolts, his team-mate and compatriof, to recover lost ground. There was some consolation for Virenque's Festina team as Didier Rous, 26, cruised to his first stage success.

Virenque, who set out more than six minutes behind Ullrich, had clearly not given up hope of reducing his deficit or even usurping the German, and led an attack of ten of the race leaders, minus Ullrich, at the foot of the day's most significant climb, the Grand-Ballon, west of Mulhouse.

We could see that Ullrich wasn't on a great day," Rous said, "so we attacked and he

couldn't go with us." By the summit of the Col du Hundsruck, after 85 kilometres, the group containing Virenque and two of his teammates was almost one minute clear of a grimacing Ullrich. With only Bolts of his Telekom team available to help his pursuit, and with 90 kilometres still to race, Ullrich's command of the

Tour suddenly looked fragile. However, Virenque, increasingly irritated by the refusal of his fellow breakaway riders to share the effort, suddenly ordered his team-

didn't want to finish the Tour without again trying to crack Ullrich," Virenque said. "Everybody could see that he was tired but, when we attacked, we didn't get any help from riders who were placed in the top five overall."

Fernando Escartin, one of the leading riders in the break, was quick to respond to the charge. "Virenque doesn't know how to ride intelligently," the Spaniard said. "Of course, it was down to Festina to make the effort - they had the most to gain. But they have no sense of strategy. They had mates to stop working. "This a chance to make up a lot of morning, I decided that I ground on Ullrich, but he

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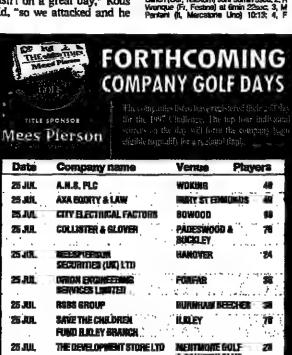
As Virenque shook his head and Escartin, Marco Pantani and Abraham Olano shrugged their shoulders, the Frenchman's two team-mates, Rous and Pascal Hervé, continued their high pace and moved clear. "Pascal told me to go, because he was going to drop back and look after Virenque, so I attacked as hard as I could," Rous said.

"Ten kilometres from the finish, I saw that I had a fiveminute lead and I knew I couldn't be beaten. When the team's going as well as this, you feel like you're riding on Ulirich, who finished safely

in the main field, now has the tour as good as won but, with only two flat road stages and the final time-trial on Saturday left to worry him, the stress of leading the Tour for the best part of two weeks is finally beginning to show. "Today I felt really stressed because of all the pressure and media attention." he said, "but I suppose I'll have to get used to it. I'm happy that the race is nearly over and that we'll soon be in Paris."



Laurent Brochard, of France, leads the climb up the Grand-Ballon during the Tour's eighteenth stage yesterday



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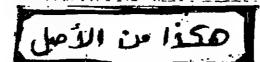
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8.40 CLIPSTONE MINERS WELFARE LIMITED STAKES (£2,508: 51 13yd) (5) \$ 0-50 EVCVAN DANCER 67 C Wall 3-8-9 .... 7-4 Bernaruk, 5-2 Fairy Prince, 4-1 Princeth's Joy, 6-1 Apotter Balcinson, 7-1 Selem Decer.

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**RACING:** TRAINER ENCOURAGES ASCOT TO WATER DOWN HIS RESERVATIONS ABOUT BIG-RACE GOING

## Stoute puts Pilsudski decision on tap

By Chris McGrath

IT IS not difficult to imagine where Michael Stoute, an ardent cricket fan, found his inspiration for objecting to a strip of turf that looks rather too dry and bare for his

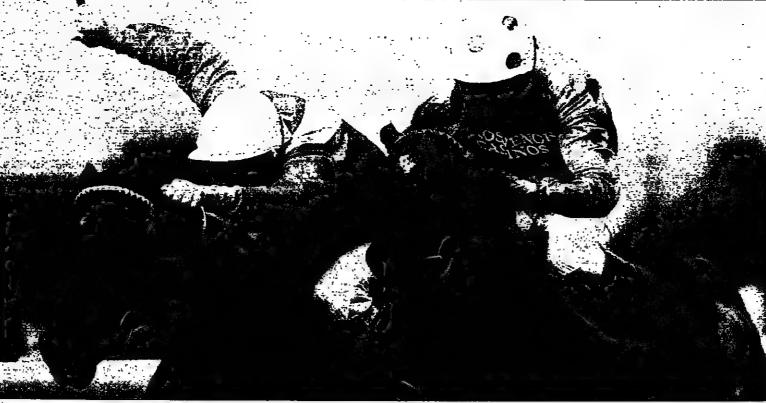
The Newmarket trainer, unlike the England management at Headingley, cannot hope to get the King George VI and ueen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes tomorrow shifted to a different patch of grass, but he has certainly done his best to ensure that the groundsman

Nap: SAAFEYA (5.00 Ascot) Next best: Ashraakat (2.15 Ascot)

prepares a wicket that suits his attack - down to the ground. In Singspiel and Pilsudski, Stoute trains the biggest rivals to Helissio, the Frenchtrained favourite for what is billed as the best race in Britain for many years. But yesterday he put pressure on Ascot to resume watering after today's card, coyly refusing, after walking the course, to commit Pilsudski to the fray,

Fortunately, there is no trainer whose own cutting edge will be blunted by further watering, Indeed, firm ground represents Helissio's Achilles hoof, and better going would also favour the well-backed Predappio.

Stoute's well-meant advice to punters was not to back Pilsudski, other than "with a run". But it did sound rather more like thinly disguised



Woodland Melody, right, beats Eloquent in the Milcars Star Stakes at Sandown Park yesterday. Photograph: Julian Herbert / Allsport

advice to Ascot -- keep the taps on if you do not want to risk making a damp squib of your showdown between three of the most distinguished racehorses on the global stage.
"We're mad keen to run Pilsudski," he said on arriving at Sandown. The ground

go and 1'd like to think those pop-up sprinklers will be going on Friday night." Stoute will need no reminder that there are always ways is in good shape, and so is the getting out, even when horse, but we will have to conditions are in your favour. make a late decision. We ran He duly acknowledged "the him on fast ground at the greatest respect for Helissio" royal meeting last year, and but one detects, in his inability that was the only bad race he to separate his own runners, has run in a long time. They no fear that there could only

have been doing a good job, be one horse in the world good and I'd have been perfectly enough to beat him. happy to run him today. But "I don't think there is anythere are another 48 hours to thing between Pilsudski and

Singspiel, and nor does the formbook," he said. They have run against each other twice, and beaten each other. The first time, in the Gordon Richards Stakes, was inconclusive, as Singspiel is easy to get ready first time out while Pilsudski always needs a run. The second time, Pilsudski beat Singspiel in the Breeders'

While Stoute is clearly anxious not to rattle the frame of his Eclipse winner, he did not have to look far yesterday to see evidence of "nothing ventured, nothing gained". Peter Chapple-Hyam had been deeply concerned about risk-ing Woodland Melody on fast ground in the Milcars Star Stakes, but the Manton trainer was rewarded by a short-

head verdict over Eloquent. The winner certainly took time to find her stride, but finished strongly up the hill to

## to prove fruitful BBC2 2.15: Only five runners, but

**Surprise Mission** 

quality could make up for lack of quantity as there are at least two fillies who are considered above-average in this field. Shuhrah is well regarded by the Godolphin learn and, after a good run by her stablemate, Elsurur, behind Embassy at Newmarket, a bold display is expected.

However, Ashraakat Is reported to be John Dunlop's pest filly and in the spring the Arundel trainer described this Danzig half-sister to Mehthaaf, the Irish 1,000 Guineas winner, as a lovely mover with huge potential Royal Shyness must have shown Geoff Lewis something at home because she has entries for the Lowther and Cheveley Park.

2.45: Bolivar has won three times over course and distance, including last month. The form of that race has been boosted by the second, fifth and sixth. Despite being alb higher than his previoushest winning mark, the Reg Akehurst runner has solid claims of taking this race for the second year running. Spy Knoll is still a maiden but has shown progressive form and should benefit from this first attempt at two

Shining Dancer, though, makes each-way appeal, having won at Kempton two months ago (Bolivar well behind) before running well in the Ascot Stakes and again at Sandown over an inadequate trip last time.



#### TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

3.15: A strong pace is likely with Blue Iriz. World Premier, Twice As Starp, Crofters Ceilidh and Canovas Heart all best when racing prominently. Crofters Cei-lidh has solid claims on her last run at York, but the race may suit a hold-up norse. Moon Strike quickened well to land the Gosforth Park Cup from Blessingindisguise, who has won twice since. Surprise Mission was third that day despite not experiencing the best of runs. He can turn the lables on 4lb better terms.

3.50: Rudimental was backed to win at Newmarket last time but, after quickening to lead two furlongs out. may be suited by being held up for longer before making his challenge. However, given the heavy watering of the course in recent days. Regal Thunder makes considerable appeal. He showed much improved form behind Memorise at Newmarket on his first venture into handicap company and better can be expected if the ground is genuinely good.

RICHARD EVANS

6.20 Serpentare. 6.50 Stone Of Destiny. 7.20 Coastal Bluff. 7.50 Gelmhruli. 8.20 Sick As A Perrot.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

#### 6.20 HEK SPARK PLUGS MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0: £4,338: 1m 4f) (11 runnes)

5-2 September, 9-2 Moro Horo, 6-1 Zingboor, September, 6-1 St Histor, Ros Codi; 18-1 Develop day, 14-1e

## 6.50 SNOWDENS MARQUEES SKY

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## 7.20 BAILEYS HISH CREAM LIGHEUR SKY 1 (5) SOD4 BRAVE EIGE 11 (D.F.S) R Homen 6-8-13 Dates O'Riell 2 (1) 11-6 COASTAL RUFF 15 (D.F.S.S) T Barren 5-8-13 K Darley 3 (4) 1-00 BROMERT ESCAPE 33 (D.F.S) C THAT 48-13 PAR Endary 4 (2) 5328 VENTURE CAPITALST 41 (F.S) D Nicholas 8-8-13 Alica Browns 5 (1) -058 (BASYCALL 15 (20) F.S.S) B Missions 3-4-3 . M Technits 6-4 Coastal Bloff, 9-4 Esoyadi, 9-2 Bave Edge, 5-1 Verduca Capitaliat, 16-1 Monaya Escapa.

7.50 TRAVES PERKONS MANDICAP \_\_ TENTY 

Genvironi, 9-2 Gray Mandom, 9-1 Law Commission, 6-1 Sharmani; pagism, 7-1 Ursa Major, The Happy Fox, 14-1 others.

## 8.20 ROY CHAPMAN PROPERTY

7-4 Lord Smith, 7-2 Verus Brave, 6-1 Sciencer Deal, 7-1 Bobbystazzle, Signatory 8-1 Sick As A Parrol, 12-1 Ann And A Log.

#### 8.50 WICKEN FEN HANDICAP

(£4,932-1m 2f) (12) 1 (12) -654 BURBLE WINGS 16 (BF.F.C) % Woods 5-9-10

8 HG 2234 ACTION JACKSON 51 (D.F.G) B Moldath 5-8-6 M Robusts 90

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COURSE SPECIALISTS :-TRAMERS: M Politain, 3 winners, form 7 monute, 42.95, 47 Flower, 3 from 16, 30 Pet, 14 Caci, 27 from 92, 27.35, 16 Charless, 12 from 52, 23.15, 0 Locks, 13 from 55, 16.95, 19 Essentin, 4 from 25, 15.45, J Gussler, 20 from 133, 15.05.

DOCKYS: Pat Editory, 45 winners imm 212 rides, 27.75; Dane O'Neill, 6 from 41, 14.95; 0 MicCabe, 7 from 49, 14.35; K Darley, 9 from 67, 13.45, 0 Hindard, 8 from 48, 13.05; A Manso, 6 from 45, 13.05.

## CHERSTOW

8.30 Augustan, 7.00 Robellon, 7.30 Sarayir, 8.00 White Settler, 8.30 Magical, 9.00 Lady Of The Lake.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 5F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

#### **6.30** LYSAGHT AMATEUR RIDERS HANDICAP (\$2,612: 1m 44.23yd) (15 runners)

9 0235 COURAGEOUS IGNORT 13 (F) P Haycard 5-10-5

10 50-2 SUPERMICK 74 (0,F,S) W May 5-10-0

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13 9000 PHANAN 36 (0,F,S) R Prescot 11-5-3 ... Mrs C Prescot (5) 5-14 0000 SWCPT CISEAIX 34 (F) B Lisealys 4-9-7 ... 8 Durack (5) 13

18 0600 TAJARS 90 T Rody 5-9-7 ... 9 Soldsmin 12

4-1, Augustac, 5-1 Courageous Knight, 8-1 Nanny Native, 7-1 Carts's Lad, 8-1 Supermick, Period Bartie, 10-1 Reserval, Contact Bridge, 12-1 others.

## 7.00 JACK BROWN BOOKMAKER

1 5010 SCHSSHEET 17 (D.F.G.S) M Sounders 4-10-0 5 0063 SHARP STOCK 13 R Hedges 4-8-1 ... B Doyle 9
8 3045 MAKE READY 18 (D) J Hoste 3-8-13 ... J Lows 3
7 0066 ROBELLON 7 (V.CD.F) D Arbufmot 6-8-11 ... S Withhords 5
8 -605 ASHOCKNAZY 11 (D.F) N Barry 6-8-1 ... A Adams 1
9 0861 DELROB 4 (S.CD.F) D Hoyds Jones 6-8-0 (7ma) ... A Macins 9
10 -100 FORZARA 78 (B.D.S) J Spearing 4-7-18 ... P Fessey (3) 4
11 000 SRENT SYMPADMY 21 Mrs S Withholm 5-7-10 ... F Norton 11 9-2 Yelver Yeru, 5-1 Beau Venture, 5-1 Make Ready, 13-2 Dairdo, 7-1 Sengainest, Astrinomacy, 8-1 Straip Stock, Robellion, 12-1 others.

7.30 GOLDEN DAFFODIL STAKES (Listed race: £10,615: 1m 2f 36yd) (8)

1 0500 WOODREN 6 (7) R Gatst 4-9-1 R Hughes 6
2 -101 BRIT BALADEE 32 (0.6.5) S bin Suttor 3-8-5 ... L Dettort 2
3 2-40 DANCES WITH DIREAMS 47 (5) P Ctemple-Hyeri 3-9-5 3 8-40 DANCES WITH DREAMS 47 (5) P Chapple-Hyam 3-0-5

1 HAM 5

4 1- FLEST1 (7) H Cacil 3-0-5

5 -406. GRETEL 40 (5) M Sauchs 3-0-5

15 -522 MATALIA BAY 30 (7) P Cole 3-0-5

7 1-00 SARANTR 36 (7) W Hom 3-0-5

1-0 THE FARAWAY TREE 43 (7) 6 Wang 3-0-5

A Clark 3

7-A Dances With Drawns, 7-2 Gut Balance, 9-2 Fiji, 7-1 Samur, 8-1 Graini, 10-4 Natalia Bay, 14-1 The Fataway Tree, 20-1 Woodnes.

7-2 Delight Of Devel, 4-1 Suthach, 6-1 Deput Carrier, 7-1 La Chalelane, Clytta 148 Lad, 8-1 Spendy Chassic, 10-1 White Settler, 12-1 others.

#### 8.30 LUNDY ISLAND (2-Y-0: £3,454: 6f 16yd) (B)

3 MANUCAL W May 6-7 J Reid 5
4 84 DEVA LADY 18 M Chasson 8-0 A MacLay 8
5 SHORT ROMANCE J Hits 8-0 M Henry (3) 3
6 FAR SONIA K Michaellib 7-12 N Adems 6
7 MARLIA R Harson 7-12 A Whetan (3) 7
8 3202 SOFT TOUCH 28 Gay Kellensy 7-12 M G McCallagh 1 H Cody-Bautcher (7) 4 11-18 Soft Touch, 9-2 Marcia, 6-1 Desa Lady, 7-1 Bay March, 10-1 Clermont Coy, Short Romance, 12-1 Magical, 16-1 Fart Sonia.

#### 9.00 SIR GORDON RICHARDS HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,534: 2m 49yd) (4) 1 - 533 BONTSAR 22 (N P Waterpo 9-7 R Heights 2 2 2051 LIDTY OF THE LAKE 18 (F) J Daniep 9-5 K Faiton 4 3 - 550 YMX ALFARAL 23 M Stoots 9-4 J Rold 3 4 5220 MILE VALLEY 23 (B.BF) P Chappte-tham 9-2 R Gody-Boutcher (7) 1

5-4 Lady (A The Lake, 5-2 Mile Valley, 7-2 Maisser 6-1 Yak Alikse)

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## ASCOT

2.15 Ashmakat 2.45 Alwarqa

3.50 RUDIMENTAL (nap) 4.25 Someyda 5.00 Kayt Tara

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.50 SONG OF FREEDOM (nap) 4.25 Setteen, 5.00 Sanfeye,

DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

Going: Good (Good to firm in Places) **TOTE JACKPOT MEETING** 

2.15 TIMEFORM CHARITY DAY MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0: £7,035: 61) (5 runners)

BETTIME: 11-10 Astronical, 6-4 Stutton, 13-2 Royal Shyness, 14-1 Aceto Lyons, 16-1 Giller Princess.

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## 2.45 FURNITURE VILLAGE BROWN JACK HANDIGAP BBC2

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#### **GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD**

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3.50 LEUKEMIA RESEARCH FUND HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £8,988: 1m 2f) (11 runners)

53-20 RUSSIAN RULER 17 (A Morton) A Janes 9-3 . . .

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## 4.25 SUNLEY EBF MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £7,003: 7f) (8 runners)

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## 5.00 MRS BASIL SAMUEL MAIDEN STAKES

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#### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Sandown Park Going: good to him, him in places

2.18 (5) 6yd) 1, Cloudbarry (Pal Eddary 8-11 fav), 2, Status (4-1); 3, Bala (14-1) 6 ran, Nk, 3-6 B Mechan Tote £1 80, £1 10, £1 40, £2 00 DF £1.90 CSF; £3.22 2.80 (fm 14yd) 1. Crown Of Thoma 1 Detron, 13-8 lav; 2, Bright Hertage (9-4; 3 Blot (7-1) 10 ran 11, 1 vi J Goscien Tote 02.90; 01.10, 51 20, 02 00 DF 63 90 Tho 09 90 CSF 64 90

3.25 (1m 21 7vd) 1. Tracasbility (fr. Dorley, 10-1), 2. Bardon Hill Boy (16-1), 3. Princer. Topiac (20-1), 4. Tyrhoon Eight (9-1) Darapour 4-11av 16-ran Nr. vi. 3 Williams Toler (12-80; 62-20, 13-70, 15-10, 62-00 Dr. 023 30 Tho 6695.60 GSF 6.140-56 Tricket 12-896-32

4.55 (5) 6yd) 1. Shaistar, facty (f. Farion 7-1); 2. Kibulian Lad (20-1), 2. Sally Green (9-2), lavy). Mon Bruce 9-2, falsy 11 ran. 4-1, kil. G. L. Moore Tote, £9-80; 27-30. 22-50. 190 DF £107-90. The £173-30 GSF £125-73 Tricast £636-71.

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Going: firm 2.00 (6i 200yd) 7, Flow By (G Carter, 3-1): 2, Oussourcing (3-1 fav) 3, Riely (20-1), 11 ran NR Signatory, Nk, 291 J Dunlop Tote 23 70, £1 80, £1 20, £5 30 DF (2 60 Time £63 20 CSF £8 89 gos 20 CSF 128 as 2.35 (8) 208yd) 1 Kings Harmony (D Holland, 7-4 lav), 2, Crystal Heighto (3-1), 3 Rosn (10-1) 14 ran NR Cossiguards Holo, Feel A Line, Just Blink, 21, 3-1 nd (P Mahin Tote 52 40, 51 10, 51 50, 52 70 DF 55 90 Tho 59 90 CSF 55 78

3.10 (fm 3) 196yd 1, Soda Pop (W J O'Connor, 7-1), 2, Sapother Son (2-1 km 3, Running Fréo (12-1), 9 (an 3-1, 1), C British, Toto (2) 50, (2) 50, (1) 90, (2) 70 DF (2) 40, (m); C17-40, CSF (2) 76 Treast (2) 23

Incast \$222.53
3.40 (fm 1f 209yd) 1, Interdream (Dury, O'Nest, 9-4 tay); 2, Inchun Blaze (15-1), 3 Castles Burning (10-1) (fu 16-1); 2, Hannon Tote (330) £1.70, £2.90, £2.70
DF £22.80 Tno £87.90 CSF £73.13
Incast £245.11 Intest (249 i) . Olivo (D Holland, 7-) i . 2. Masty Cay (6-1) 3, Chair Reaction (14-) i. Signs And Wondors 13-8 to., 6 ran. 15., 154, C Hosgan Tote (570); £2.80, £2.60 DF: £10.80 CSF, £42.00

4.40 (SI 213yd) 1, Resist The Force (R Firench, 8-1), 2, Sharp Imp (100-30), 3, Comche Guest (3-1 pl-lay) Always Graces 3-1 pl-lay, 8 san NR The Finck Ferning bi-14d C Cyger Toler £8.10 (21.70, £2.10, £1.90 DF-£11.50 The 52.20 CSF £33.10 Comiche Guest finished sector) but after a constant. Placepot £23.30. Quadpot. £19 50

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CRICKET

## Failure by Gooch puts Prichard in spotlight

CHELMSFORD (second day of four): Essex, with seven firstinnings wickets in hand, are 164 runs behind Worcester-

NOT much of a day for Graham Gooch, the retiring hero, but a good one for Essex in general and for Gooch's bosom pal. Paul Prichard, in particular. There seemed a danger that Gooch might not get much of a chance to go out in style in the second innings, having scored but II in the first, but the odds in his favour improved as Essex lost Prichard and Stuart Law before the

So well did Prichard and Robinson bat that they made 218 together in 51 overs. Prichard, in spanking form, went on to his first century against Worcestershire, but his 28th for Essex, from 140 balls.

His boundaries came in sharp salvoes, for he was quite content to lie dormant in between. He clumped 16 fours and a six over mid-wicket en route to three figures - a target Robinson, too. may well reach today.

it was ironical and, certainly for the Essex faithful, a crying shame that Gooch, the man whose place Robinson is likely to take, only just reached double figures. His runs came from 26 balls and he was in for just over half an hour. He treated the left-arm fast-medium Sheriyar, bowling over the wicket, to one deft flick to long leg, the wrists turning impec-

cably as the stroke was piayed. Gooch also played one vintage cover drive off the same bowler, the fielders left like statues as so often over the past 23 years. But then he moved too far across to the off side to play the left-armer's stock ball. The leg stump was

exposed, and the bowler hit it. The morning had been coming to largely occupied by a young urday man almost exactly hair happens.

Gooch's age. Reuben Spiring, who had been undefeated with 119 runs to his credit overnight. He continued, unconcerned and unhurried, through a further 31 overs and saw Worcestershire to within five runs of their total of 394 before being caught at square leg off Grayson, who had just missed catching him off his

own bowling.

Spiring, who says he owes much to the coaching of Peter Carlstein in South Africa, is an improving player with unrelenting concentration to back up a sound method.

He batted six hours and 20 minutes for his 150, which was the highest score of his career. It was his first century of the season and he held Worcestershire together while 256 were added for their last six wickets.

A feature of the Worcestershire innings, from an Essex point of view, was the way in which Stuart Law nipped in to remove dangerous-looking players. Solanki, Hick and Rawnsley constituted a handsome haul for an occasional

It was Such, though, who bore the brunt, with 36 overs, three wickets and a number of near misses. Grayson bowled his left-arm slows well enough to prove, once again, that Yorkshire's loss is Essex's

Yet this nicely balanced game remains overshadowed by one bulky, leg-weary, slightly shambling figure. It may be too much to ask that Gooch goes out in a blaze of glory, adding significantly to the 30,701 runs he has now made in 650 innings for Essex. Even if he does not, 94 51.77 with a highest score of 275 is not a bad record when you come to think of it. Anyhow, it may well be worth coming to Chelmsford on Saturday to find out what



Gooch, on his farewell appearance for Essex, reached II before having his leg stump knocked out by Sheriyar

## Brown shows Surrey's strength

BY RICHARD HOBSON

NORTHAMPTON (second day of four): Northamptonshire, with nine first-innings wickets in hand, are 427 runs behind Surrey

THE force remains with

Alistair Brown. In attempting

to follow his 203 in the Axa Life League on Sunday, he faced an unenviable task, but at Northampton yesterday he brushed aside any suggestion that the record would weigh too heavily on his shoulders. Brown was unbeaten on 170 when the second rain-enforced delay of the Surrey innings prompted Adam Hollioake to declare on 581 for seven. It is the third-highest score of the season and presented a target of 432 to avoid

fashion worthy of Brown. ten overs before restraint took hold and enter the third day requiring a further 278 to meet their first challenge. Fifty-one of those early runs came in five overs from Chris Lewis, who bowled seven no-balls and switched to an approach of six paces as he sought to redress the problem, but still

David Roberts. It says much for Northamptonshire's indiscipline that the six bowlers returned just 18 maldens between them in 140

removed the off stump of

Ben Hollioake pulled Taylor out of the ground in the third over and could blame nobody but himself for failing to reach fifty. He was one work Boswell through mid-

edge to mid-off. bility for the early scoring, but any suggestion that Brown

would be permanently muzzled was dismissed when Penberthy held a return drive by Lewis. What followed was quite simply a one-sided con-test: indeed, when Bailey posted four men on the leg-side boundary for the off spin of Snape, the play bore more resemblance to a game of "dare" than of first-class

Brown scored heavily in front of the wicket on the leg ide, but also drove through the covers off either foot when the line warranted. He reached his third championship hundred of the season after 195 minutes from 134 balls, but required only 32 more to pass 150. He batted innings.

two sixes, both off Snape, and 24 fours. Jon Batty was modest enough to defer to his senior partner in contributing 23 of the seventh-wicket stand of 120).

Such a total underlines the strength in depth at the Oval, with three of the regular top four on England duty. It also appeared to give credence to their commitment to build on the Benson and Hedges Cup

Their first task this morning is to split Fordham and Warren, who have so far added 134 for the second wicket. Fordham marked his first championship match of the season by reaching 50 in 82 minutes, while Warren did: so in 113 minutes, a flailing square cut over point against Lewis the highlight of his

#### Confusion is name of the game for Sussex followers

By BARNEY SPENDER

HOVE (first day of four. Sussex won toss): Sussex, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 304 runs behind

CONFUSION and chaos have become synonymous with Sussex cricket over the past 12 months and yesterday's play at Hove provided large helpings of both for players and

On the field the confusion came in the shape of the young Pakistani batsmen trying to work out if they were batting on a minefield or a featherbed. Off it, there was an element of Corporal Jones's efforts not to panic as Len Chandler, the Sussex scorer, working in isolation, was left to guess which particular batsman was at the crease as the unfamiliar touring side constantly jug-

gled the batting order.

Quite what the handful of hardy spectators made of it was anyone's guess. Those who arrived for the start were treated to the sight of, they assumed from the numbers on the scoreboard, Mohammad Wasim, the Pakistan A captain, opening the innings in a blaze of strokes as Kirtley and Edwards conceded the first 50 runs in just 6.3 overs. It was only when the real Wasim marched out at the fall of the third wicket that they discovered that they had been admiring, instead, the varied

strokeplay of Ali Naqvi. Naqvi made his maiden first-class hundred against an MCC XI a fortnight ago and looked a certainty for another, possibly before lunch, as he rushed to 46 from just 30 balls. One loose shot, however, sent a harmless ball from Edwards to Peirce on the square-leg-boundary and that was the cue for a splendid collapse which saw them lose five for 36 in 14

The batsmen had only themselves to blame, a rash of poor shots betraying a pitch friendly enough for Jamshed to come out helmetless when Naqvi fell in the ninth over. They were rescued by a robust 63 from Azhar Mahmood, who struck ten fours and a six, and a grafting 75 from Rana

### Unbeaten Ganguly steers India into cup final

By Our Sports Staff

SOURAV GANGULY steered India into the final of the Asia Cup with an elegant unbeaten 73 off 52 balls against Bangladesh yesterday. The defending champions will play Sri Lanka, the World Cup win-ners, in the climax to the fourteam tournament tomorrow.

India, needing to reach their target of 131 in 20 overs or less, cruised to a ninewicket victory in 15 overs for the loss of just Sachin Tendulkar, their captain. The win was sufficient to place them second in the league standings, ahead of Pakistan, who have never won the Asia Cup, and Bangladesh, who finished last

Ganguly, who hit two sixes and eight fours in his innings, shared an unbroken secondwicket partnership of 78 with Mohammad Azharuddin. The former India captain made 23 off 20 balls after India had lost Tendulkar for 28, with the total on 54, in the seventh over.

Earlier, some tight India bowling and fielding had restricted Bangladesh to 130 for eight off 43 overs, before a shower ended the innings with five of the stipulated 48 overs still to be bowled, overnight rain having already cut

the match from 50 overs.

Robin Singh, the medium-pace bowler, took three for 13 in nine overs and Anil Kumble, the leg spinner, took one for 17 in ten overs.

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#### Alleyne piles on agony for Durham quee: Alleyne also hit 32 fours before slashing to slip. Russell then went on to his fourth done less and played for England. CHELTENHAM (second day of four): Durham, with all second-innings wickets in hand, are 382 runs behind Gloucestershire Since he first arrived, a shy lad from century for the county, finishing 103 not out, after he and Martyn Ball had lashed a dispirited attack for another 31 in 12 overs. Durham were left, by the declara-THAT bronze statue on the Promenade,

tourists will be told in 2025, commemorates Mark Alleyne, the most prolific cricketer ever to grace the College Ground. The Gloucestershire committee is unlikely, so far, to have engaged an architect, but their county captain's association with this historic and charming venue is beginning to assume real

right, took his score to 169 (off 203 balls), his thirteenth century for the county and his sixth here. He was already averaging 41 on this ground and has also taken 38

Haringey Cricket College, in 1986, Alleyne has grown in stature to such an extent that he was elected capfain after Courtney Walsh had become unavailable and Jack Russell had declined the post. Gloucestershire, with a virtually unknown overseas professional, are third and fifth in the county tables. and fifth in the county tables.

Alleyne has been much too proficient, in all departments, for an uninspired and disjointed Durham whose first visit to Cheltenham looks like ending in overwhelming defeat once the weather relents. He and Jack Russell took their sixthwicket stand, at an ever-increasing tempo, to 205 in 56 overs, without offering a real chance. Alleyne lifted James Boiling over the sightscreen at the Chapel End and

Russell pulled John Wood into a mar-

tion, with an awkward 17 overs but, after

five of them, they were saved from further torment by a deluge.

Durham's captain, David Boon, is now in as wretched a run of form as his team. He has not reached double figures in his lest six impines and it will need a tun of last six immings and it will need a ton of application from at least three of his players, plus that luck that is rarely found around losing teams, to save this match. Boon has never been an emotional or even inspirational figure but has usually imparted an air of stolid defiance. Now, even that Australian sang-froid seems to

#### Dowman's career-best detains Leicestershire

BY RUPERT COX

LEICESTER (second day of en first-innings wickets in hand, are 199 runs behind Nottinghamshire

THE county champions were again held up at Grace Road yesterday, as Nottinghamshire consolidated their overnight position with a tenthwicket stand that frustrated Leicestershire for a further hour. Then, when they batted, four rain interruptions deprived Leicestershire of 38 overs, which meant that they have now lost in excess of 1,550 overs to the elements this

Nottinghamshire's last pair extended their partnership to 48 before James Ormond, who impressed with three for 64, forced Matthew Dowman to top-edge a pull for a careerbest 149. Nevertheless, the visitors had, by then, gleaned three batting points for the first time this season and, in so doing, surpassed 300 for the third time.

Their 342 was almost entirely due to Dowman's 439minute innings, as he continued to play with a mixture of abandon, luck and the crisp strokeplay so prevalent on Wednesday. That aside, Nottinghamshire were grateful for Leicestershire's profligate nature in yielding 52 extras, as only Tim Robinson, besides Dowman, exceeded 30. In between the showers, Leicestershire made steady-progress before the New Zea-lander, Nathan Astle, re-moved Iain Sutcliffe and

James Whitaker with deliveries that kept low, while earli-er, a fiercely lifting delivery from Chris Tolley discomfited Vince Wells. Despite Wells's protestations that the ball had deflected off his arm, umpire Allan Jones sent him on his way. With wickets tumbling to uneven bounce, on a relaid surface, Leicestershire's anxiety over the toss was merely

In spite of this, Darren Maddy maintained the excellent impression he has begun to fashion with an unbeaten



### Derbyshire regret a lack of urgency

BY MICHAEL AUSTIN

hand, are 474 runs behind Derbyshire

THIS match offers a dimmishing promise of a first championship victory this summer for Derbyshire. There were five stoppages for rain and only 42 overs were possible against the leaders, leaving the bottom county rueing a lack of first-day urgency.
Phillip DeFreitas dismissed

Steve James leg-before without offering a stroke as Glamorgan embarked on the initial target of making 264 to avoid following on. But Derbyshire still have much to do. Vince Clarke with 76 not

out, including 12 fours and a six at a run a ball, had earlier made his fifth first-class half century this season for Derbyshire and passed 600 runs in shire and passed 600 runs in his 21st innings since moving from Leicestershire. Now with his third county, having played for Somerset three years ago, a maiden hundred beckons Clarke. He fell one short against Warwickshire at Edgbasion last month. Edghaston last month.

The weathers means that

Derbyshire spent far longer than anticipated in passing 500 and launching an attempt to bowl out Glamorgan twice.
The pitch is not conflictive to that, either, as Deven Mal-

CHESTERFIELD (second day of four): Glamorgan, with lacks the pace and bounce of the white Queen's Park surlacks the pace and bounce of the white Queen's Park sur-faces of the recent past. Shortpitched deliveries asked to be dispatched and invariably

On the first day, Derby-shire's scoring rate had de-clined from a spectacular 182 in the opening session, to 123 in the opening session, to 123 in the second, then a paltry 74 post-tea, having opted to send in a nightwatchman, Andrew Harris, when acceleration should have been the priority. Instead of being on their kness. knees, Giamorgan escaped with two bowling points, al-though Waqar Younis re-turned the expensive figures of

two for 132. Glamorgan's plus points included a sturning catch at second slip by Matthew Maynard to oust Matthew Vandran off the bowling of Steve Watkin, who also had the unconvinced Harris caught at the wicket. He stood his ground until given out by Vanburn Holder, the umpire

at the Lake End. The Tannoy announcer called the day's play a limited even shorter and James probably wished it had. Only three balls from Malcolm were delivered in Glamorgan's innings before the fifth stoppage and a wait for the final resumption.

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## Shah able to supply Ramprakash with winning platform

LORD'S (second day of four): Middlesex, with five second-innings wickets in hand, require 127 runs to beat Kent

IT IS not often that an innings of 21 warrants an exceptional comment but, in the brief time that he was at the crease last night, Owais Shah looked a batsman of real promise. The 18-year-old came in with Middlesex rocking at 41 for three, as Kallis nursed a migraine and Brown rested a badly injured finger.

Together with Ramprakash, who batted quite beautifully, Shah added 70 for the fourth wicket until, offering an unaccompanied front leg to Strang's googly, he was foxed out, leg-before. In a low-scoring match, it was an important partnership and, in Ramprakash, Middlesex have a man who could yet win it for

Ramprakash batted for 212 hours until, with McCague recalled to the attack and the light growing dimmer, he Poor Walker, who fell to reckoned the umpires were Brown's equally fine take in

EDGBASTON (first day of four, Warwickshire won toss):

Warwickshire have scored

two for no wicket against

ON Wednesday evening,

Edgbaston was a vibrant illu-minated venue, throbbing to

rock music and Mexican

waves (Ivo Tennant writes).

Yesterday it made for a deso-late sight. The thousands who

had filled the ground for the

first floodlit Sunday league

match had long since depart-

ed and the drizzle was

unrelenting.
Only 11 balls were bowled,

six of them by Andy Caddick.

who had driven 120 miles from Leeds to do so after

**Frustration follows** 

the floodlit frolics

right to ask him whether he wanted to stay on. He has made 69 so far, with ten fours and a resounding pulled six off Strang, and had just been joined by Kallis when the light faded after the leg spinner had taken a second wicket. The captain owed them

some runs after missing two chances that would have reduced their target substantially, from 261 to 207. Fulton, the Kent opener, was reprieved on 22 and Marsh dropped when he had a single to his name. Ramprakash was fielding at slip on each occasion, next to his predecessor as captain. Gatting, who wore the gloves in Brown's absence.

Gatting made a good wicketkeeper and, if his vocal contribution was any guide, he enjoyed himself hugely. The best of his three catches was a wonderful effort, low to his left as he dived in front of Ramprakash, who had already committed himself fully to making a possible catch. Poor Walker, who fell to

being left out of the England

side. Play did not begin until

5.15 and, so heavy was the

downpour shortly afterwards,

that there was no prospect of a

resumption before the sched-

This planned late finish

was due to the hours of play

having been put back after the events of the previous evening. By the time the tele-

vision interviews had been

completed, it was almost mid-

night. The groundstaff had

only a few hours' sleep before

returning to prepare the square for the championship

match. The cleaning-up oper-ations around the ground

were still continuing in the

Openers ease the pressure

uled close at seven o'clock.

the first innings, went off moping. Gatting loved that wicket and his team-mates hardly loved it less. All out for 105 early, when

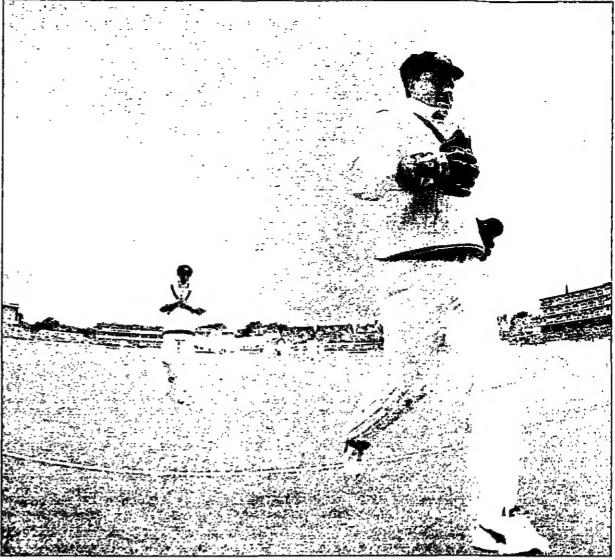
McCague collected the outstanding first-innings wicket to finish with seven for 50, Middlesex were soon among the wickets themselves. By lunchtime Kallis had taken three, and Fraser two. The pitch, lively but not particularly capricious, was beyond criticism. If the batsmen on both sides are truthful they would confess to some faulty strokeplay. Kallis, the South Africa all-

rounder, recruited when Greg Blewett was selected for the Australia touring party, has hinted at his talent with the ball. Yesterday he confirmed it by taking five for 54, the best figures of his career. He has a full-arm action and, according to those who should know, can be pretty sharp.

He initially replaced Hewitt, who went off with a back injury, at the Nursery dlesex seamer in this match, bruised Fulton's fingers early on and took the last two

The Middlesex pursuit did not begin well. Weekes drove feebly to gully and Pooley, possibly deceived in the flight, clipped an easy catch to midon. When Kent got Gatting for a duck, caught splendidly by Strang in the gully, they were cock-a-hoop. They reckoned without Shah's pluck, though. For a teenager he is extremely self-confident.

Ramprakash continues to hat delightfully in county cricket. The quality of his straight driving was exceptional and he went to his halfcentury, from 58 balls, by taking 15 off a Strang over. It included a pulled six, a straight drive and a cover drive off the back foot. Today, with Kallis in support, he has markable victory.



Healy, the Australia wicketkeeper, leads the exodus during another glorious interruption for the weather

## Creased up with excitement until moment when play stops rain

whole day spent at Headingley in the service of 14 England runs might look like a complete waste of time. But it depends how you look at it, actually. If you don't know the first thing about cricket, 14 runs from nearly five overs (in six hours) is considerably more excitement than you've been led to expect and possibly more than you can cope with.

"It's raining again," was the big (repeated) groan around Headingley yesterday, every time an English bat was lifted in anger. Perversely, when the cricketers went to lunch, the sun came out. When they returned to the pitch, it poured. Around the surprisingly ingley ground (only 18,000 spectators), umbrellas were repeatedly raised with grim resignation and stumps repeatedly drawn. But "Thank God," I thought each time, if I'm honest. Good grief, I had begun to take a mild interest in the score. I had started asking intelligent questions about the history of pitchchoice controversy. Talk

about the beginning of the You see, I don't understand about cricket. There is something about the slowness of cricket that makes me want to gnaw my own foot off to escape. Were I to live with a man who watched Test matches on the telly. I would lob tins of cat food at his head from the kitchen door. Rain stoppages, on the other hand, I do understand, being (among other things) British

LYNNE TRUSS

Kicking and Screaming

Wimbledon Wash-out 1997. A whole day of rain ge was for a long tund a serious prospect yesterday. which was OK hy me.

"Very good for the complexion, this!" I remarked. Also, "I happen to know there's a branch of Harvey Nichols in Leeds, instead of hanging around here, we could all go shopping for designer rain-wear!" Neither of these excellent points made much impression on the fanatical Wisden collectors getting depressed and frustrated on all sides. "Even darker clouds!" I pointed out, cheerfully. Gosh, could go on for hours.

this! In fact, I was just enjoying the first lot of rain - a good drizzle with a smoky, dewy and terribly Northern damp character - when it stopped. Two chaps in blazers crossed the pitch to toss a coin and the next thing was, we had other chaps in helmets valiantly waving their bats at madly

zigzagging Exocet cricket balls and occasionally ducking, to preserve life and limb. So this was cricket, then? Chaps making split-second swipes at a greased-lightning

hall, in obvious peril of their lives? I had always suspected as much. No doubt the romance of the game accounts for a lot of the attraction and will suck me'in, given time. But let's face it, this is a very violent game. Helmets are laughably insufficient protection from these balls; padded vests a mere gesture towards self-defence. A well-stuffed sofa is the only barrier method these chaps ought to trust and that's the truth. Luckily, this bout of incom-

prehensible cricket did not last long and rain resumed after eight runs and a myst rious consolation run had been awarded (making nine). Phew. I relaxed and resumed my meditations on that wet. ploppy stuff that was the real business of the day. Heavier the rain was now, supplied by charcoal clouds drifting inexorably from west to east. I felt thoroughly at home. Over in the infamous western terrace, the crowd consoled itself with litres of beer and sports videos, sang "Ere we go" and removed items of clothing.

After lunch, the rain was interrupted yet again. Five further runs were scored somehow (it's all too quick for me, and "extras" are awarded by the fairies, as far as I can see). But, as the rain resumed and the skies darkened for a prolonged period of Arma-geddon, I couldn't help feeling proud of our England lads, who had (after all)

They were also "not out", which must mean something. Australia had conspicuously scored no runs at all and must be feeling pretty sick. Several silver linings to

these clouds were apparent to me. First, under glowering skies of Castle Dracula complexion, there was no need for the cricketers to assume warnow their weird, exotic practice, redolent of spear-waggling and Coming of Age in Samoa. Second, Harvey Nichols probably did a roar ing trade. Third, there was no need to monitor the tiring, glacial slowness of an accruing score. And fourth, any western-terrace hooligan planning a pitch invasion demoralised or dead drunk to bother carrying it out.

To give them their credit,

the crowd refused to go home. "Go home, you cricket-loving weirdos." I urged them, but to no avail. I began to wonder if perhaps, like me, they were quite keen on rain and were happy to compare downpour light shower, deluge with drizzle. But, at 5pm, play finally stopped rain and they seemed delighted. Six hours after a sporting event has started is an odd moment to hear the first "Eng-er-land" of the day. What stout fellows, to wait so long. At 5.15pm, the first boundary was struck and the cricket started to motor at last, with runs and wickets clocking up, and shadows shadows! - lengthening on the green. Wow. Well, as I said at the time, you've got to

#### Light years ahead after success of **Edgbaston** experiment

By Ivo Tennant

IN AN English summer. floodlit cricket will never be other than a risky undertaking. There can be no doubting, though, that Warwickshire's achievement on Wednesday night in tripling their customary Sunday league attendance will lead to any number of day/night matches in the future. These are likely to include limited overs interna-

Warwickshire attracted a crowd of 15,174 for their Axa Life League match against Somerset. Other than the inevitable streakers, it was a decorous gathering on a balmy evening for a contest that was almost incidental to the occasion. This was the first time that competitive cricket had been played under floodlights in England and, as soon as the bean counters revealed their figures, it was evident this would not be the last. The club made a profit of £70,000 and that, even at Edgbaston, is a staggering sum.

Nobody comes to watch championship cricket any more," Dennis Amiss, the Warwickshire chief executive. said. That is not strictly true. especially not at Canterbury or Chelmsford, yet he has a point. Last year the club's takings for all four-day cricket and Sunday league matches at Edghaston amounted to only £40,000.

Warwickshire's committee will discuss whether they should seek permission to stage the scheduled limited overs international at Edgbaston next summer as a day/night match. A World Cup semi-final in 1999 under floodlights is another possibil-ity. "England and Wales Cricket Board officials were amazed at the interest from

the public," Amiss said. In the heady glow of Wednesday evening, Amiss calculated that permanent floodlights would cost Warwickshire £250,000. The likelihood is, that with six towers required, and of rather sturdier structure than those erected temporarily, the sum will be closer to £500,000. The club is already committed to building an indoor school and a new tand on the Rea the ground.

Other than cost, the obvious consideration for any club is how often it will be able to use its lights. "If we could put them in here and play twice or three times a season, our attendances would swell and the players would love it." Neil Smith, the Warwickshire acting captain, said.

Then there is the question of whether the novelty will wear off, not least for children, and how often their parents will be prepared to keep them up until after midnight.

Warwickshire's victory over Somerset was achieved at 11.38pm. There is also the matter of whether public transport will always run as late as it did on Wednesday. The players themselves found that the strength of the floodlights to be wholly adequate, but that the ball was softened by the dew in the second innings of the match.

## my for Durhan ..

SOUTHAMPTON (second vanced from their overnight day of four]: Hampshire, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 398 runs behind Lancashire

AN unbroken opening part-nership of 171 between Matthew Hayden and Jason Laney eased the pressure on Hampshire yesterday as, the club's hierarchy prepared to stave off the threat of a revolt: by members who are becoming increasingly concerned by the county's lack of success.

A massive defeat would make their task even more difficult when they meet the protesters at an "informal discussion forum" in a marquee beside the Phil Mead Stand tomorrow morning and it was looking a distinct possibility when Lancashire adBY PAT GIBSON

423 for five to 569 for nine declared, their highest score of the season.

It could still happen of course since Hampshire have to reach 420 just to avoid the follow-on, but there seemed no reason why they should not do that when Hayden and Laney were making the Lancashire attack look even more innocuous than their own had been. before rain ended play just

Now it could even become a declaration match and, in that case, Hampshire would have to be the favourites on such a flat pitch.

One of the members' main complaints is that Hampshire should have gone for a bowler as their overseas player and it was easy to see why when

Lancashire were adding 146 in 29 overs in the morning. Watkinson went on to 135 including four sixes and 17 fours, Austin helped himself to an unbeaten 65 and even

> man, made a career-best 30. Hampshire's argument is that, with no world-class bowler available, they were better off with a prolific runmaker like Hayden and the Australian made that

Shadford, the nightwatch-

point, too. He became the second batsman to reach 1,000 runs this season when he passed 35 and went on to an undefeated 90 off only 102 balls. Meanwhile, Laney, who owed his side runs, after dropping both Lancashire centurions, was doing and a veteran of the Great his best to repay the debt with an unbeaten 67.

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DBI. BOWLING: Shoelib Alvittar 2-1-1-0; Abdul Rozzek 1-0-1-0 Umpres: B J Meyer and J F Studie. Britannic Assurance county championship Derbyshire v Glamorgan

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**GLAMORGAN: First Invings** 

FALL OF WICKET: 1-31. BOWLING: Melbolm 5-2-25-0; DeFietzs 5-2-13-1: Vandrau 1-1-0-0 Bonus points: Derbyahlra 4 Glamorgan 2

Impires. J D Bond and V A Holder CHELMSFORD (second day of lour): Esset, with seven first intangs wellets in hand, are 164 nans behind Worcestershire

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P J Prichard o and b Solante
D D J Robinson not out
S G Law o Curts b Sherner Total (3 wids, 71 overs) \_\_\_\_\_

R.C. Irans, A.P. Grayson, D.R. Law, S.J.W. Andrew, A.P. Cowen and P.M. Such to bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-36, 2-216, 3-223. BOMLING: Shenyar 10-2-27-2; Haynes 11-4-35-0; Lampat 42-17-0; Hick 19-5-47-0 Moody 6-3-24-0; Rawnsley 2-0-22-0; Solam 17-3-59-1; Leatherdale 2-0-13-0 Bonus points: Esaex 3 Warcasterstillo 5

Umpres: J W Holder and G I Burgers. Gloucestershire v Durham CHELTENHAM (second day of four): Dur-ham, with all second-indings intoless in hand, are 382 runs behind Gloucestershire DURHAM: First trainings 86 8M W Alleytin 5

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N W Alleyno c Roseberry b Walker !!

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M C J Boll not out ....

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Hampshire v Lancashire SOUTHAMPTON (second day of lour) Hampshire, with all last-mangs wickets in hand, are 398 runs behind Lancashire

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90M,3NS Bovil 28-5-106-1, Miloum 36-7-196-2; Stephenson 33-7-103-1, Udal 24-3-142-2; Maru 10-2-52-0, Keech 2-0-17-0 HAMPSHIRE: Fire brings Total (na wirt. 35.4 overe) ..... K. D. James, R. A. Smith, M. Keech, \*J.P. Stephenson, 1A. N. Aymes, S. D. Udal, R. J. Micru, S. M. Milburn and J. N. B. Bowill to that. BOWLING: Marin 7-3-19-0, Shadford 6-1-45-0; Austin 7-3-27-0, Waldinson 5-0-31-0; Yates 8.4-0-28-0, Gallian 2-0-15-0.

Bonus points: Hempshire 3 Lancashire 4

Umones: D.R. Shepherd and P. Willey

FALL OF WICKETS 1-24, 2-33, 3-191, 4-184, 5-408, 6-487, 7-488, 8-502

Leicestershire v Nottinghamshire

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Total

FALL OF WICKETS 1-10, 2-51, 3-67, 4-131, 5-206, 6-244, 7-251, 8-273, 9-294 

Durtum SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire v

Lancashire LEICESTER: Leicestershire v

Bonus points: Gloucestershire & Durham 2 TODAY'S FIXTURES

### RUGBY LEAGUE

CRICKET Fourth Comhill Test match 11 0, second day of five, 90 overs more World club championship HEADINGLEY: England v Australia Auckland v St Helens (8 30am)..... Tour metch Pool B 11.0. second day of four HOVE: Sussex v Petistan A Oldham v Adelavie (7 30) ...

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v West Ham; (7.45). "Lycombe v Queens.
Park. Rangers (7.45); Normoth v Bolton
(7.45); Pgmouth v Shefried Wednesday
(7.45); RC Strasbourg v Avsenat (7.0);
Cotchester v Southers (7.45); Onford
United v Derby (7.45), Cambridge United v
Luten (7.45) Glamorgan CHELMSFORD: Essex v Worcestershire
CHELTENHAM: Glaucestershire v

Notinghamshire LORO'S: Middlesex v Kent NORTHAMPTON: Northamplonshire v OTHER SPORT GOUF: Soner Betch Open (al Royal Second day of four, 104 overs menman

EDGBASTON: Warwickshipe v EDGRASTON: Warwickshie v Somersel SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Final day of three: Centerbury: Kent v Mickesse. Durstabler: Northampionstate v Certy-shie: The Owlt Surey v Somerser Sollhuit: Warwickshire v Gloucealerature Wordenser: Wordenseshire v Esser: Final day of four: Chaster-le-Street: Durham v Notrophamshire Pantyprodd: Glamorgan's Hamashire 7.30; SPEEDMAY: Bille League: Belle Vue v Ipsarch (7.30) Peterborough v Swindom (7.30). Premier League: Edmangh v Oddod (7.30). Annateur League: Bolle Vue v Ryde 45/(1) (8.6).

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Northamptonshire v Surrey NORTHAMPTON Isecond day of local Northamptonshire, with nine first-anings wedges in hand, are 427 care behind Sunsy SURREY: First Innings

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watch something when it's

not raining.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First inrungs

Bonus points. Northermptorstyre 2 Surrey 4

EDGBASTON (first day of low Wannickstire won loss.) Wannickstire have scored two lot no wickets against Somerser

WARWICKSHIRE. Fast livings Total (no wkt, 1,5 overs) . C. L. Hamp, D. P. Ostler, T. L. Penney, D. R. Brown, G. Welch, N. M. K. Smith, A.F. Geles, †T. Frost and A.A. Donald to ball. BOWLING. Caddids. 1-1-0-0; Share 0.5-0-2-

SOMERSET. "P D Bowler, P C L Holloway, S C Ecclesione M E Trescotaci, M N Lathwoll, K A Pazzons, †R J Turnor, G D Rose, A R Coddick, Muzhkiq Ahmed, K J Umpres: T.E. Jesty and R. Palmer

Axa Life League Warwickshire v Somerset EDGBASTON (Manufolshire won toss) Wannelshire (4pts) boot Somersel by 37 WARWICKSHIRE

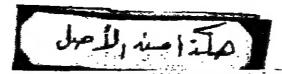
Total (5 wkts) 224
FALL OF WICKETS. 1-112, 2-135, 3-155. 4-204 (5-22) A F Giest, 19 J Pipot, G C Small and A A Donald did not bet BOWLING: Rose 8-0-40-1, Parcons 6-0-30-0 Strate 8-0-63-0, Mushlag 8-0-28-0, Burio 2-0-12-0 Notr 8-0-41-2 SOMERSET

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K A Parsons a Brown b Smith
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Total (39.2 overs) TOTAL OF WINETS 1-41, 2-41, 3-44, 4-48, 5-56, 6-94, 7-99, 8-162, 9-176, BOWLING Welch 8-0-48-0, Brown 8-0-31-2, Small 6-1-22-2, Donald 7-2-0-27-2, Glos 6-0-22-1, Smith 4-0-16-1 Umpres: T.E. Jesty and R.Palmer

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## Formula One losing licence to thrill

bratwurst and a boorish sense of national identity, are camped in the forests around Hockenheim. With their flags. flares and fireworks, they will lend a theatrical air of expectancy to the German Grand Prix on Sunday.
The race will enshrine the

power of the modern Formula One car, which will exceed 215mph on four separate sections of a four-mile circuit that is redolent with history. main stratospheric, although Teams such as

Jordan McLaren will challenge the es-tablished order at Williams and Ferrari, and the drivers will require subtlety in addition to the courage that is

a prerequisite for speed. The auguries are encouraging. There is a sense that the sport has reached an axial moment. Its financial and professional standards may still be set by one man. Michael Schumacher, but the infusion of young talent is a significant sign of collective strength.

Generations are changing. Only yesterday Gerhard Berger announced that he is to leave Benetton-Renault at the end of the season. Retirement seems the logical option.

Trisis, what crisis? More because drivers such as him, than 100,000 specta- Jean Alesi and Mika tors, fuelled by beer. Hakkinen are being pushed to the margins by newcomers such as Giancarto Fisichella. Jarno Trulli and Alexander Wurz. For every thirtysomething such as Damon Hill, who is seeking the security of a seven-figure contract, there is a Dario Franchimi, serving a quietly efficient apprenticeship at an institution such as Mercedes-

> Global television ratings reone should never

forget strictures about damn lies 'Becoming and statistics. a soulless Sponsors circle the paddock like hawks scanning experience' summer hedge-rows but, some-

where, something is missing. Formula One is becoming a soulless experience: a business expense rather than a labour

It still attempts to exploit the innocence of the days when drivers emerged from their cars with the insouciance of Battle of Britain pilots emerging from their cockpits. With their grimy faces and casual acceptance of risk, they were heroes for Everyman.

The intrinsic dangers remain, but characters have been consumed by the corporate culture. The suits in the

MICHAEL CALVIN



motorhomes prefer faces to be fresh, comments to be bland. Praise the Lord Mammon, laud the engine manufacturer. and land the sponsor.

There is an element of the emperor's new clothes here. The start of a grand prix is still one of the most riveting spectacles in professional sport, but when was the last overtaking manoeuvre that inspired instinctive inhalation? From a personal point of view, it was probably as far back as the sixteenth lap of the Portuguese Grand Prix last year; when Jacques Villeneuve had the temerity to overtake Schumacher on the outside.

The British Grand Prix, 12 days ago, might have been absorbing and invested with

drama was dependent upon mechanical malfunction, rather than individual inspiration. There was not a significant overtaking ploy in the entire

194-mile race Hockenheim offers a better chance of a successful lunge. but such manoeuvres are so studiously old-fashioned that they seem to deserve preservation in a sepia print. Colourby-numbers circuits such as Magny-Cours, where accelerating out of the racing line would be suicidal, prevail. Typically, in Hungary, which hosts the next

grand prix, there is only one mar-'Indycar is ginal opportunity to overtake, at the superior initial right-hand product' Mark Blundell,

the exiled British driver, accepts that Formula One is the pinnacle of technosists that an Indycar race is a far superior product in terms of entertainment. Given that he has won two of the last three by margins of 0.027sec and 0.659sec, he might have a

David Coulthard is certainly a convert. He experienced the recent race in Vancouver as a paying spectator. "I'm no anorak, but it was great," Coulthard said. "I could wander where I wanted, watch what I wanted. It made me

people want to go racing." Blundell returned to the Formula One paddock for the

first time in two seasons in Montreal last month, where he provided colour commentary for ITV. He was struck by the cultural differences. "When you're in it for the whole time, you don't notice these things, but when you've got used to another environment, it hits you." he said. There are not too many happy faces, are there?" Frank Williams balances

his argument, but admits to some misgivings about the direction of the ~I have found some races this year so gripping I didn't want them to end," he

said, "But I would like to see some more challenging cir-cuits. On too many it is too difficult to pass." In the immortal words of

Williams, "a Formula One car should make you shiver". Villeneuve insists that he yearns for any opportunity to indulge his passion for "pure speed". He stresses: "That's why I do what I do." Hill is more circumspect, but even he suggests: "No one should be able to look at Formula One and say 'I could do that, no

## Cookery from the stars

Celebrity Ready, Steady, Cook BBC1, 7.00pm (Scotland, 8.00pm)

It is the turn of the breakfast television host Lorraine Kelly and that nice Nigel Havers to do the rounds of the supermarket shelves and come up with the regulation E5-worth of ingredients that will be turned into a tasty meal in just 20 minutes.

Professional chefs Kevin Woodford and Lesley Waters are on hand to help them do it, with the presenter Fern Britton doing her usual best to jolly things along. Whether introducing familiar faces into a format that has functioned for so long without them is a most point, for hectic cookery is one area where members of the public can be just as watchable. But there is usually fun to be had from seeing celebrities cast against type and the contest between the weathermen lan McCaskill and Michael Fish should be specially worth catching.

Hypotheticals

BBC2, 7.00pm Clive Anderson has been so determined to prove himself as a television furniyman that it is sometimes difficult to credit that he is by training a barrister. But now he has the chance to demonstrate his courtroom skills as he plays, moderator in the Hypotheticals game. It may seem moderator in the Hypotheticals game. It may seem a big switch but be assured that his questioning is sharp and that he leaves his jokes mostly behind. Some may even prefer this probing, jousting, serious Anderson to the quip-a-second talk show host. Tonight's imaginary scenario concerns the problems of running a small business, such as whether to take on a woman who is pregnant and how to deal with claims of sexual harassment. As usual in this series there are too many experts, with the result that some of them barely get a chance to speak. But it is a lively session.

Gardeners' World BBC2, 8.30pm

Here Comes the Boss.

Radio 4 (FM) 10.00am.

The one thing that removes gardening programmes from the everyday reality of amateur horizolturalists is that you never see a weed. Or if Alan Tichmarsh and company do suffer from mare's tails, bindweed and other horrors they seldom let on. Until tonight. While heavy rain kept Titchmarsh out of his Mediterranean garden, the

Fern Britton on kitchen duty (BBCI)

weeds flourished. Before moving on to more pleasurable activities, such as planting day lilies, he must deal with them. It is a rare moment of revelation. The same can be said for Bob Flowerdew's contribution. Normally seen Flowerdew's contribution. Normally seen demonstrating unlikely uses for old car lyres or redundant freezers. Bob eschews both to sing the praises of scented plants. He is an old gardening softie after all. With Gay Search there are no surprises, just quiet enthusiasm. She is in the Suffolk village of Long Melford to look over an exquisite display of clematis and perennials.

Get Fit With Brittas

BBC1, 8.50pm (except Scotland) Chris Barrie, in his sitem guise as the leisure centre manager Gordon Brittas, offers more tips for healthy living. The script is not quite as funny as last week's, or perhaps the novelty value of the format is starting to fade. But there is no argument about the seriousness of the message, however flippantly it is delivered. Barrie/Brittas is telling us in his nerdish way what we should already know, but often choose to furget or ignore, that we should in his nerdish way what we should already know, but often choose to forget or ignore, that we should take exercise and a lot of it. Moderate exercise which leaves us slightly out of breath is the thing, not sudden bouts of weight lifting or similar sudden exertions. Walking or cycling are the recommended modes, with Lesley Ash of Men Behaving Badly joining Brittas on a two-wheeled excursion into the countryside. Peter Waymark

TENNIS: HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT LAND INTER-COUNTY TITLE FOR FIRST TIME

## Wilkinson serves up cup success

great nervous tension, but its

BY JULIAN MUSCAT TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

WINNING provides reason enough to celebrate, but there is nothing like winning in style. The men of Hampshire and Isle of Wight took the latter route at Eastbourne yesterday, building up an unassailable lead to lift the Inter-County Cup for the first time in their centenary year.

An 8-1 trouncing of York-. shire ensured that the victors prevailed with a day to spare. It was no more than they deserved. The team played with assurance throughout this gruelling round-robin format, often outclassing opponents from the opening rallies. The players will take a lap of honour today, although their determination has been such that Surrey, their opponents, can expect no favours at

The platform for Hampshire and Isle of Wight's resounding triumph was established by their first pairing of Chris Wilkinson and Laurence Matthews. Their strength in returning service has seen them triumph in each of the 24 sets that they have played to date. Wilkinson. ranked No in Britain, requires little introduction; the fact that he has yet to lose his service in more than 50 games. pays him handsome tribute.

Yet Matthews, who has been coaching and playing league tennis in Germany for the past two years, has more

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**BALLYHOO OF BLAZES** 

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DYTRBAL

Nazareth."

CRIOLLO

checkmate

WORD-WATCHING

(c) An Australian aboriginal language spoken in the vicinity of Tully and Atherton in north-east Queensland. The people speaking the language. Verbatim, summer, 1984: "Chlor worked

out principles of gender in Dyirbal (involving a knowledge of Dyirbal science)."

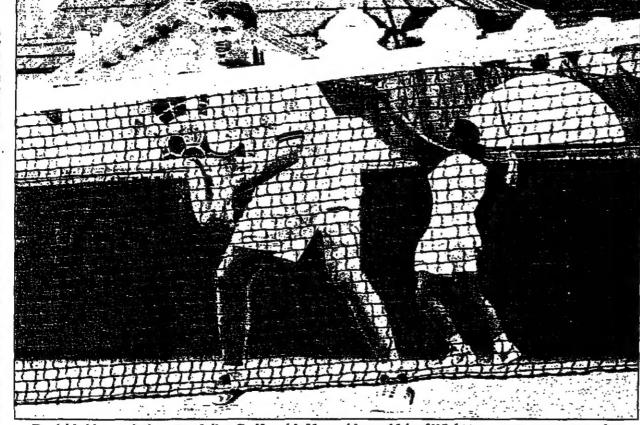
(c) Sailors' term of contempt for a vessel which they dislike for any reason. The etymology of the first element is uncertain, but perhaps the same word as ballahou applied contemptuously to a lubberly or ungainly vessel, an adaptation of the Spanish balahu a schooner. Herman Metville. Omco. 1847: "Steer clear of this

(c) A Bush village or small town in South Africa. Afrikaans. The radios of God have always spoken out of dorps like Medina and

(a) A variety of cocoa tree, Theobroma cacao, native to Central America; also a name for high-quality cocoa or cocoa beans. From the Spanish criollo, native to the locality, cognate with creole. "There are two grades of Venezuelan cacao — the criollo or native, and the trimtario or Trinidad."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

1 Nd8: Rxd8 il ... Qxd5 2 Res majej 2 Qxd8+ Qf8 3 Qd5+ Qf7 4 Re8



Daniel Lobb guards the net as Julian Godfrey, his Hampshire and Isle of Wight team-mate, serves yesterday

Boetsch passes test

than held his own - particularly with his exquisite touch at the net. He played with Wilkinson when they were juniors and the combination has looked well balanced throughout the week. "He has been very solid." Wilkinson

said of his partner. "It has been a pleasure to play with him." Despite his imminent return to the professional tour. Wilkinson said he has no intention of sitting out the round of matches today.

The county's second pairing, Nick Weal and Paul Scullard, all but matched Wilkinson and Matthews. They conceded just one of the 12 rubbers they contested to endorse Hampshire and Isle of Wight's supremacy. Weal, the British No 10, and Wilkinson bypassed a challenger tourna-ment in Newcastle to represent their county this week. The move ensured that there was to be no repeat of events 12 months ago, when the county lost to Surrey by a rubber.

ARNAUD BOETSCH, the

top seed, secured a place in the quarter-finals of the

Northern Electric Open in

Newcastle vesterday with a 6-0, 2-6, 6-3 victory over

Giorgio Galimberti. of Italy.

But the Frenchman, who is

ranked 38th in the world, is

not optimistic about his

chances of winning the tour-

nament after struggling to

rain, has employed a purpose ful stride all week as he followed his team's progress. Now, for the first time in 35 years' involvement in county week, he could savour the taste of victory. Hewitt assumed the captaincy in 1984. when Hampshire and Isle of Wight won promotion from group six. He has now delivered the perfect focal point for

the county's centenary dinner. "It will be nice to have the trophy on display, "Hewitt. 50, said yesterday. "That is why we have been so focused to do our best this year. It has always been my ambition to be associated with a winning side." Before captaining the team. Hewitt played in this event for 20 years - including lan Hewitt, the county cap- when his county first won

assert his superiority. After

allowing Galimberti back into

the match in the second set,

Boetsch had three match points at 5-1 in the third but

wasted them all, before finally

think I can win the title,"

Boetsch said. "My shoulder is

very weak and I am not

serving well."

I'm playing OK but I don't

going through on his fifth.

promotion to group one. Hampshire and Isle of Wight have been well supported this week - not least by those who stocked and tended their splendid lunch wagon, upon which many a covetous eye has strayed.

In the women's event, Essex remain firmly on target to record their fifth consecutive championship after brushing aside Yorkshire 8-1, despite the concession of a rubber when Sam Smith, the British No l. was delayed in traffic in the morning. They face Middlesex today, boosted by the expected return from a tournament in Dublin of Amanda Janes, the British No 10.

Warwickshire made sure

Essex cannot afford to falter with a resounding victory over South Wales yesterday. Although Warwickshire have recorded marginally more winning rubbers than Essex. their opening-day defeat by the defending champions looks like proving costly. Yorkshire are the only county whose men and women are in group one, but both teams will ight for their survival today. Even then, victory for the men. against Devon, and for the women, against South Wales, may not be enough for either side to avoid relegation.

#### RADIO CHOICE

Prom Interval Interview. Radio 3, 8\_30pm.

Whatever it is that makes the perfect boss (assuming of course such a creature exists) we ought to have a reliable composite of him / her by the time Patrick Wright's series ends in four weeks' Hotfoot from playing Beethoven's Piano Conterto No I in tonight's Prom, direct from the Albert Hall, Steven. Kovacevich will be relaxing with the interviewer Petroc Trelawney. At least, that's how it will sound. The truth is that the chat was recorded as an interval filler. Inevitably, there's a the time Patrick Wright's series ends in four weeks' time. It's astonishing but true that 3,000 books on management theory were published last year. Wright's brief — important in these industrially competitive times — is to establish how theory can be translated into practice, and how to test whether, as the old saying goes, practice always makes perfect. Here Comes the Boss kicks off by received the quantities can enough bassus be even better. reference back to what sort of a challenge it is for a planist to tackle Beethoven. It emerges that Ludwig the Great's 33 "Diabelii Variations" determined Kovacevich to take up the piano. Shame we couldn't have heard his interpretation of some of them on Radio 3 at 11.50 this morning, instead of posing the question: can good bosses be even better if they themselves have been subjected to military discipline? I should imagine that former sergeant majors will know the answer to that one. two Chopin mazurkas. Kovacevich is a tennis freak, which explains why he uses Pete Sampras as

#### RADIO 1

7.00mm Kevin Graening 9.00 Simon Mayo 11.30 Redic 1-Roadshow, Live from Blackpool 12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45 Jo Whiley 2.00 Noby Campbell 4.00 Mary Anne Hobbs 6.15 Newsbeat 6.30 Pate Targ's Essential Selection 10.00 On in the Jungle 12.00mm Radio 1 Rep Show with Tim Westwood

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TALK RADIO

5.00mm Chris Ashley and Sandy Wart 7.00 Paul Ross 9.00 Scott Chisholm 12.00 Lorraine Katy 2.00pm Tommry Boyd 4.00 Drivetime, with Peter Dealey 7.00 Moz Dee's Sportszone 10.00 Mike Allen 1.00mm Izn Collins

#### WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST, News on the hour. 6.00ars Newsday 6.30 Burope Today 7.16 World Today 7.30 Voting for Britain 8.15 Off the Shall 8.30 Music Review 9.10 Pausa for Thought 9.15 Performance 9.30 John Peel 16.05 Business 10.15 Learning World 10.30 BBC English 10.45 Sport 11.30 Assignment 12.20pm Focus on Faith 1.06 Business 1.15 British Today 1.30 Body of Knowledge 1.45 Sport 2.00 Newshour 3.05 Outlook 3.30 Multihack 4.05 Focus 4.15 Code Breakers 4.30 News in German 5.00 Entrees Dates 2.30 Decimes 4.45 Outdook3.30 Mutatrack 4.05 Footpat 4.15 Code Breakers 4.30
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#### CLASSIC FM

4.00cm Mark Griffiths 6.00 Alan Menn 9.00 Henry Kally 1.00pm Concerto 3.00 Jamie Crick 7.00 Newtright 7.30 Sonata Locatell (Fluta Sonata No 8 in E major) 6.00 Evening Concert. Verdi (Overture: The Sicilian Vespers); Rosani (Songe trom Soirées Musicales La Regata Veneziana, La Gitz in Gondole; La Danza) 10.00 Michael Meopin 2.00 Concerto (r)

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7.00em Russ 'n' Jono 10.00 Graheth Dene 1.00 Jeremy Clark 4.00 Nacio Home 7.00 Paul Coyte (FM) / Robin Banks (AM) 10.00 Alan Freeman 12.00 Mark Forrest 2.00em Howard

6.00am On Air, with Andrew McGregor, Includes Debussy (Images, Set 2); Rubbra (Sintonia Concertante); Guämant (Grand Choeur in Gminot); Mozart (Symphony No 21 m A, K134); Wagner (Lohengrin, Pretude to Act 3); Sarassite (Carmen Fantasy)

9.00 Morning Collection, with Penny Gore, Includes Haydn (Ceto Concerto in C); Elgar (Sursum Corda); Rachmentinov (Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganin)

counters, with Nicola Herwood House Includes Grieg (Peer Gynt Suite No 1);

Berlioz (Romeo and Juliet); Brahms (Eight Pieno Pieces, Op 76); Haydri (String Querter in C., Op 50 No 2); Schurmann (Zur Hohen Jagd, Op 137 No 1); Hoddinott (Concerto for Orchestra); Chopin (Macurkas, Op 63, No 2 in F minor; No 3 in C state minor).

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12.00 Proms Composer of the Week: John Adams
1.00pm News; St David's Half Lunchtime Recital. 1.00 pm News; St David's Hall Lunchtime Recital.
Nicole Heywood Thomas presents the second of six recitals from Cardiff. Paul Whelan, bentone, and Julius Drake, piano. Purcel, real British (Let the Dreadful Engines); Final (Fear No More the Heat o' the Sum: It Was a Lover and His Lass; Who is Sylvia? Let Us Garlands Bring); Ireland (Sea Fever); Rachmeninov (Let Us Riss), Op 26 No 31; Mussongsky (Songs and Dances of Death)
2.00 BBC Prome 97. John Lill, piano, BBC Symphony Orchestra, under Andrew Davis. Xanakis (SeaChange); Prokofiev (Piano Cocnerto No 3); Strauss (Ein Heidenfeben) (f)
3.45 On the Town. Selections from Leonard Bernstein's Broachway musical, the story of three salors anxious to make the most of their shore leave in New York

4.00 Mining the Archive. Paul Guinery selects recordings from the BBC archives of the work of Percy Grainger. Includes the composer performing his Jutish Medicy and the Coldstream Guards, under Capiain Trevor L. Sharpe, performing his Jutish Medicy and the Coldstream Guards, under Capiain Trevor L. Sharpe, performing his Juneanistic Posy

5.00 Music Machine, with Verity Sharp. Includes more from the electronic music masetro Martin Pluss

5.15 in Tune, with Arthorny Burton. Includes Peter Maxwell Davies (Luflaby for Lucy); Jonethan Heresy (Mortuos Plango; Vivos Voco); Smetana (Vitera, Ma Visst)

7.30 BBC Prome 97. Stephen Kovacevich, plano, BBC Philharmonic Orchestra. Peter Maxwell Davies (Sals in St Magnus 1), conducted by the composer. Beethoven (Pieno Concert part two. Shosteleovich (Symphony No 8), conducted by Vassily Sinskey.

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10.15 Hear and Now. Sareh Walker introduces an edition recorded earlier this month at the Cheltenham Festival. The soprano Angela Tunstall and the Birmingham Contamporary Music Group perform Beld's Folksongs and Vic Hoyland's Crazu Rosa

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12.00 Proma Composers of the Week: Beethoven

1.15am Saxophone Colossus. Sonny Rollins talks to John Surman about his life's work and the role that his wife. Lucille, has played throughout his career (8/8) (f)

1.30 Through the Night, with David Cornet. Includes

1.00 Fibich (Sarka). Performed by Eva Depotiova, soprano, Eva Randova, mezzo, Viern Pribyl, tenor, Vaciav Zitek, baritone, Brno Janacek Opera Chorus and State Philinarmonic, under Jan Stych

6.55am Shipping Forecast (LW) 6.00 News Briefing
6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30
Today 6.40 Yesterday in Parliament
9.00 News 9.05 Desert Island Discs, Sue Lawley's
custoway is Susan Greenfield (f)
9.45 Roxburgh's Russia. In the first of a four-part
series, the BBC's Moscow correspondent asks
Russians what they feel about the past and
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present regimes 10.00 News; Here Comes the Boos (FM). See Choice

10.00 News; Here Comes the Boss (FM). See Choice
10.00 An Act of Worship (LW)
10.15 On This Day (LW)
10.30 Women's Hour, with Mari Nicolson
10.50-1.00pm Test Match Special (LW). Coverage of
the second day's play in the fourth Test
11.30 The Natural History Programme (FM).
Presented by Joanna Prinock
12.00 News; You and Yours (FM). Consumer news
and current alters with Mark Whittaker
12.25pm Food Programme. The second part of the
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1.00 The World at One (FM), with Nick Clarke
1.40 The Archers (FM) (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast
1.40-7.00 Test Match Special (LW). Continued coverage from Headingley
2.00 News (FM) Summer Serial: All Things Betray Thee, by Gwyn Thomas, drametised in three episodes by Alan Plate: A traveling harpist searches for his friend but finds urrest and inhistice. With Ian Hughes and Patrick Greman (r)
3.00 News; The Attannoon Shift (FM), with Laurie Taylor and his guests

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4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope (FM). Tim Marlow
visits Cambridge as part of National Galleries

4.46 Short Story: The Playing Fields of Similar (FM), by Ruskin Bond. Read by Art Malik. An story of actnotifiends separated by partition 5.00 PM (FM), with Charile Lee-Potter and Jon Sopel 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News (FM). David Stafford suggests spending a weekend at the Womad Festival in Reading 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 Pick of the Week. Selected by Chris Sarle 8.05 Any Questions? Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate in Pontardaws, Swanses. The panel includes Ron Davies. MP. Baroness Warnock and Steven Webb. MP. B. 50 Law in Action. In the light of recent wer orlines. Anthony Dworkin asks how an international craiminal court might work.

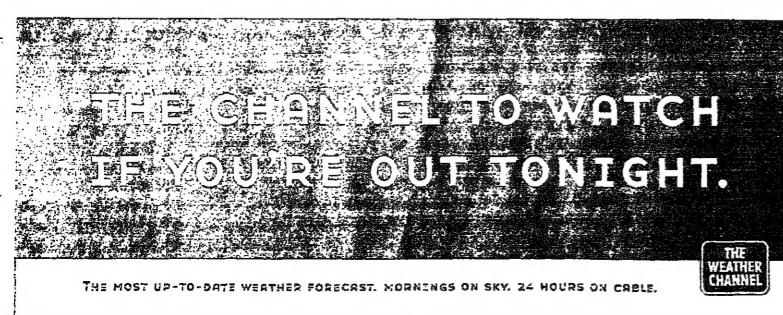
9.15 Letter from America, by Alistair Cooks 9.30 Kaleidoscope Feature: The Mone Liss. Tim Marlow explores the painting's editoriary tame 10.00 The World Tonight with Robin Lustig 10.45 Book at Bedtime: Captain Corell's Mandollin, by Louis de Bernieres. Abridged by Alison Josephiard read by Robert Powell (15/15)

11.00 Goodness Gracious Me. The all-Asian comedy sketch show. With Sanjeen Bhaskar, Kulvinder Ghir, Nitin Sawhney, Nira Wadia and Meera Syel 11.25 Tea Junction. Patrick Hannar and guests take a scapical look at the week's events.

11.45 Today in Partiament. A roundup of the day's events in Westininster.

12.00 News 12.30 The Linte Book: The White Boy Shottle, Written by Paul Bestity and read by Pay Shottle, Written by Paul Bestity and read by Pay Shottle, Written by Paul Bestity and read by Pay Shottle, Written by Paul Bestity and read by Pay Shottle, Written by Paul Bestity and read by Pay Shottle, Written by Paul Bestity and read by Pay Shottle, Written by Paul Bestity and read by Pay Shottle, Written by Paul Bestity and read by Pay Shottle Shipping Forecast 1.00 As World Service

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I've finally got there. First time out.

I thought he was just plain ridici-

lous. I mean, describing carra-gheen as "a fantastic standby pud-ding". In the first place, it involves

combing the Scottish sea-shore for

hours to find little clumps of red

seaweed; secondly, not even the

inhabitants of Skye seemed to rate

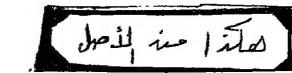
was "all the better if left for three

It's taken me a couple of weeks the suggestion of a smile playing to work out what Nick Nairn around his lips? I think after last is up to with the latest series of might's superlative effort we can

Wild Harvest (BBC2) but I think - safely say it was. For Wild Harvest

his main course began: "First cently observing: "These scallop shoot your Arctic hare." Was that are nice, dive for them yourself?"

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it much ("I'm not sure how you would describe it but it's no that he came up with a real lulu: handpleasant"; and thirdly, the blae-berry sauce that allegedly pro-vided the perfect accompanionent dived scallops. "Just so wonderfully flavoursome". It was inspired. All over Britain this morning, the catering classes will be signing up for scuba-diving lessons, looking days". Standby pudding? It would forward to swapping bouilia-baisse recipes in the decomprestake less time to record an entire series of Ready, Steady, Gook. But the first inkling that Naim sion chamber. Those of us who neight be pursuing another culi-nary agenda came last week when stick to being guests, on the other hand, can look forward to inno-

cently observing: "These scallops

turns out to be nothing to do with

teaching people new recipes. Its

torturing foodies, tormenting the

Loyd Grossman set, whose pas-

sion for the freshest and most

obscure ingredients knows no

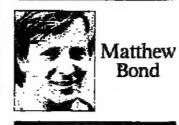
their lives a misery and last night

Nairn is clearly out to make

The footage of Nairn doing just that was actually rather distressing. Nobody, you see, had warned me that scallops acrually put up a fight. At the first sign of a handdiver, these bi-valves go all aflutter and they desperately try to flap their way to safety. It's pathetic and utterly futile. Back on the surface all it took was an expert twist of Nairn's knife: "You can see it's still beating, it's so fresh." Umm. lovely.

But the tormenting of the Masterchef brigade was not over yet. The key to his roast hand-dived scallops dish (apart from his hallmark flames) was a tomato and shell-fish sauce. And the key to the sauce was "tomato water", which apparently is what you collect when you suspend five pounds of ripe tomatoes in a soaked muslin bag over a very small container; and leave them overnight. That sounds just the REVIEW

Wild? The foodies must have been furious



thing for the decompression chamber.

There were more recipes in the final instalment of Smith and Jones (BBCI) but the one that springs immediately to mind was so disgusting that I can't bring myself to make even the most oblique reference to it. Oh, all right then - woof! Sorry.

Like any 30-minute, sketchbased show. Smith and Jones has

Show, a comparison which quickly gets tied up in meaningless arguments about which came first or which is better, Caroline Aherne's "Scorchio" or Smith and Jones hyper-inflationary state of Pan-agua? Paul Whitehouse and Char-lie Higson probably do hold the fashionable high-ground at the moment, but so what? It's almost IS years since Smith and Jones were in the same position with Not the Nine o'clock News. They've

found itself compared to The Fast

ly moved on - several times. Now it's time to move on again. Not because the last series wasn't good, it was and last night's was one of the best. But it's a format that they have become too comfortable with and so have we. The ability to shock is still there (they managed that twice) but the vital elements of surprise and spontaneity are not what they were.

been there, done it and successful-

My suggestion would be not to

compete with the young guns of The Fast Show generation or the vulgarity of Hule and Pace, but to take advantage of that 20-year track record and have a go at bigbudget, mainstream variety, using the mix of stand-up, sketches, comic drama and guest stars that Morecambe und Wise and The Two Ronnies exploited so successfully, and notody else has since. The only problem is that I think I suggested this after their previous series, 100, so I don't suppose they'll listen this time either.

little carlier. Channel 4 A appeared to have embarked on yet another of its regular exercises to see just how few viewers it could attract to its 9pm slot. I dare say a few more turned over when they discovered that Hunting Bobby Oatway was a Canadian documentary. In which case they missed an extremely well made and powerful film that had huge parallels in this country. Oatway is a convicted paedophile, who had served ten years of a 13-year sentence for the appalling abuse of his own son and his young sisters-in-law. Now he was out on parole, but not for long, if his victims could help it.

They could - a public picket of the Toronto half-way house he was staying in and the threat from fellow parolees eventually forced him to return to prison. John Kastner's thoroughly thought-provoking film showed just how easy (and understandable) it is in such cases for justice to be subverted by a lynch-mob mentality. Paradoxically, Oatway (whose speech impediment invited some sympathy despite his crimes) was subsequently paroled again to a halfway house much closer to his victims in British Columbia. That was fine with them, they said, they'd be able to keep an eye on him. They'd be waiting.

BBC1

6.00am Business Breekfast (12670) 7.00 BBC Breekfast News (1) (11800) 9.00 Breakfast News Extre (1): (3191106). 9.20 Ready, Steady, Cook (r) (1) (1515212) 9.50 Kilroy (T) (5287380)

10.30 Glorie's Time Off. Barbara Windsor (2904835) 10.45 News (1)-(2468900)

19.50 Cricket: Fourth Test — England v
Australia Tony Lewis introduces
coverage of the opening session of day
two as the bettle for the Ashes continues
at Headingley. Continues on BBC2 12.35pm Neighbours (8696458)

1.00 News (T) and weather (94187) 1.30 Regional News (T) (42273729)

 1.40 Cricket: Fourth Test — England v
 Australia. The alternoon session of the second day at Headingley. Commentary by Richle Bensitd, David Gower, Geoffrey Boycott and lan Chappel (60079651) 4.00 Popeye (7634922) 4.10 To Me, to You (4050309) 4.35 R.F. Never, Work (r) (T) (8745748) 5.00 Newsround (T) (1881816) 5.10 Record Breakers (r) (T) (4479729)

5.35 Neighbours (1) (1) (136816) 6.00 News (T) and weather (651) 6.30 Regional News (1) (903)

Cook: Celebrity Ready, Steady, Cook: Celebrity Ready, Steady, Nigel Flavers and Loraina Kelly bring in a bag of mystary ingredients hoping chefs Kevin Woodford and Lesley Waters can transform them into a delicious meal in just 20 minutes (T) (9835)

7.30 Top of the Pope Rundown of the current top 40, plus exclusives, new videos and live performances (1) (187)

8.00 Only Fools and Horses A retired jewellery dealer offers Dei the deal of a lifetime - their promotity suffers a heert - attack and gets-carted off to hospital with - 250 -cul-price gold chains attl. In his briefcase. Here the Trotters come a propose goes acrem? With David Jason. and Nicholas Lyndhurst (n (T) (164552) Get Fit with Britiss Correcty shorts offering fitness advice. Gordon and faithful caretakar Colin bump

into Lesley Ash (T) (816941) 9.00 News (T) and weather (9632)
9.30 Coming to America (1988) A romantic
coming to America (1988) A romantic
prince who defies his father's plans for an
arranged marriage by journeying to the
USA in search of a woman who will ove

him for himself. Also with America Hall. Madge Sincleir. Directed by John Lancis 11.25 Fleshdance (1983) Jennifer Beals stars

as a factory welder who amazingly transforms herself at night into an exotic dancer, in the hope of getting her big break and becoming a belief star. Directed by Abrian Lyne (602699)

12.50am The Creatures the World
First Forget (1971) with Julie Ege, Tony
Borner and Robert John Hammer Films' 2.20 Weather (9947571) .

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BBC2 6.00em Open University: The Clinical Psychologist (7768380) 6.25 Build a Better Business (7754187) 6.50 Modelling in the Long Term (6978941)

7.15 See Hear Breakfast News (T and signing) (6630496)

7.30 Teletubbles (r) (7759854) 7.55 Postman. Par (r) (6343212) 8.10 The Raccoons (r) (6786651) 8.35 Cartoon Critters (r) (3187212) 9.05 Spiderman (r) (6376496) 9,35 Spirit Rider (r) (2271632)

10.00 The Moomline (r) (79380) 10.25 Mr Bern (r) (7479293) 10.45 Teletubbles (r) (338895) 11.15 The Flecord (8048038) 11.40 Moon Over Miami (r) (T) (8913274) 12.30pm For the Love of it (81499187) 12.35 Cricket: Fourth Test (8516800)

1.00 A to Z of Food (25802699) 1.10 Beechgrove Garden: The First Season (19740847) 1.40 Take a Meal with Alsace (42284835)

1.55 Racing from Assot The 2.15, 2.45, 3.15 and 3.50 races (42199361) 4.00 News (1) (7641212)

4.05 Cricket: Fourth Test Action through to the close of play (15185767) 6.35 The Muneters (r) (T) (676372)



Citye Anderson (7.00pm)

7.00 Hypotheticals: Making Advances Cive Anderson draws on his barrister's training to lead a workplace (T) (T) (2632)

8.00 The Foodurater Documentary about a respected take District huntsman (r) (T) (6125) WALES: Tracks

Gardeners' World Alan Titchmarsh demonstrates the at Barleywood (T) (5632)

9.00 Bottom Anarchic cornedy (r) (T) (1274) 9.30 The Young Ones Vivian becomes ill (r)

(T) (65090) 10.00 Never Mind the Buzzcocks Highlights of the series (r) (42651) 10.30 Newsnight (T) (407496)

11.15 Cricket: Fourth Test England v Australia: Highlights (732854) 11.55 The Night of the Hunter (1955) Thriller with Robert Mitchum, Shelley Winters, and Lillian Gish. A psychopathic preacher in an attempt to discover where their father hid a hoard of stolen money.

Directed by Charles Laughton (1) (475632) 1.25am.Crossfire (1947) Race-hate charms with Robert Milchum, Robert Ryan and Gloria Grahame. A policeman doggedly tries to track down the killer who brutally murdered a Jewish GI in New York, set in the altermath of the Second World War. Directed by Edward Drnytryk (T)

2.50 Wasther (6564355)

6.00em GMTV (4622562) 9.25 Win, Lose or Draw (1509651) 9.55 Judge Judy (4212380) 10.20 News (T) (8014477) 10.25 Regional News (T) (5013748)

10.30 Cruel Doubt (94626800) 12.20pm Regional News (T) (3252835)

12.30 News (T) and weather (6617583) 12.55 Designed by Emanuel (8692274) 1.25 Home and Away (T) (37304019) 1.50 Murder, She Wrote (r) (8631729) 2.49 HTV Crimestoppers (1462019) 2.50 Garden Calendar (T) (8027941)

3.20 News (T) (1725380) 3.25 Regional News (T) (1724651)

3.30 Rosie and Jim (r) (4031125) 3.40 Cartoon Time (1322748) 3.50 The Treacle People (T) 4.00 Zzzzł (4957835) 4.15 The Reel Ghostbusters (T) (4044748) 4.40 Get Wet (8253380)

5.10 A Country Practice (1435583) 5.37 HTV Crimestoppers (880651) 5.40 News (T) and weather (395632) 6.00 Home and Away (153019)

6.25 HTV Weather (250258) 5.30 The West Tonight (1) (699) 7.00 Beedle's Hotshote (4903)



Griffin and Gregnon (7.30pm)

the air, With Simon Gregson and Angela Griffin (1) (583)

8.00 The Bill On the eve of a trial one vital vitness disappears and the other ends up in a coma (T) (3651) 8.30 Surprise! Surprise! Guests include

la Emberg, who duets on I Got You Babe with a wallpaper shop manager; Kenny G, who performs his latest single to a fan (99274) 9.30 Tarrant on TV Includes a nude studio

audience in Australia and mud wrestling in Sweden (r) (T) (69816)

10.00 News (T) and weather (46477)

10.30 The West Tonight Update (881564) 10.40 Somebody Has to Shoot the Picture (1990) with Roy Scheider, Bonnie Bedella and Robert Carradine Melodrama about a Florida gangster, on death row for killing of a policeman, hiring a photo-journalist to make a visual account of his

(309019) 12.35am The Wacky Weekly World News (3598317)

1.00 Semi-Tough (1977) with Burt Reynolds.
Kris Kristofferson and Jill Clayburgh.
Sports comedy about a love triangle
Directed by Michael Ritchie (8272607) 3.00 Coach (r) (36611978)

3.30 Where the Hell's That Gold? (1988)
Comedy western with Willie Nelson, Jack
Elam and Delta Burke Directed by Burt Kennedy (14906268)

5,00 Coronation Street (r) (1) (93930) 5.30 News (86065)

CENTRAL

As HTV West except 10.30am Surprise Chefs (54495) 11.00 Side Effects (1534421) 11.50 Dogs with Dunbar :3220038; 12.55pm-1.25 A Country Practice (8692274) 2.50-3.20 Right or Wrong? (6027941) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (1435523)

6.25-7.00 Central News (437554) 10.40 Film: Gorky Park (51033670) 1.05am Film: Trapped (555959) 2.45 The LADS (85978) 3.15 Baywatch (4132510)

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1.25 Frances Bissell's West Kitchen (18157467) 1.55 Westcountry Update (59288293) 2.25-3.20 Blue Heelers (7379354) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (1435583) 5.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (97699) 10.30 Westcountry News (872816)

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12.30 My So-Called Life (i) (4606293) 1.25 From Flores Animation (66149893) 1.35 Home in Indiana (1944) An orphan breeds a champion horse on his uncle's near-derelict farm. Lon McCallister and

Walter Brennan, directed by Henry Hathaway (65621380) 3.30 Here's One I Made Earlier Tomatoes and parmesan, barbequed butlerfly lamb; lemon and chocolate cheesecake (7) (477)

4,00 Bewitched (r) (T) (212) 4.30 Countdown (T) (8739187) 4.55 Ricki Lake (r) (T) (2682670)

5.30 Pet Rescue (r) (T) (748) 6.00 The Cosby Show (r) (T) (361) 6.30 Tour De France Montbeliard to Dijon a distance of 170km (941)

7.00 Channel 4 News (T) (908187) 7.50 The Political Slot (966125) 8.00 Garden Party A 15th century Kentish Weald farmhouse (1) (1293)



8.30 Brookside Christian and Rachel have a wedding full of surprises. With Tillany Chapman and Philip Dowd (T) (7800) 9.00 Friends: The One with the Metaphorical Tunnel Joey discovers

that he has a weird new agent Chandler considers making a commitment to 9.30 Cybill: Buffaio Gals Cybill impersonates Maryann at a high school reunion Cornedy starring Cybill Shephard (67458)

10.00 Frasier: The Impossible Dream The shrink has a recurring dream that he is gay (T) (44019) 10.30 Helinaiser (1987) starring Andrew Robinson and Clare Higgins. A horror about an adventurer who discovers the

secrets of a race of demonic sadists 12.10am Robin Adult arrmation (8683959) 12.15 Slaves of New York (1989) starring Bernadelle Peters and Adam Coleman Howard A Manhaltan-sel corredy of

manners directed by James Ivory (T) 2.35 Up in Central Park (1946, b/w) Cornedy musical starring Dearna Durbin and Dick. Hayrnes, Directed by William A Serter (T) (300387)

4.10 Takeover TV (3/8) (r) (6016249) 4,55 Tour De France (r) (7236317)

#### CHANNEL 5

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6.00em 5 News Early (9163632) 7.30 Havakazoo (7906019) 8.00 The Enid Blyton Adventure Series (7896816) 8.30 WideWorld. How the rural communities of Niger are coping with the lower ramtali and declining productivity (7895187)

9.00 Espresso (3596477) 10.00 Exclusive! (r) (5575187) 10.30 The Car Show (r) 11.00 Leeza (6457767) 11.50 Double Espresso (19208125) **12.00** The Bold and the Beautiful (T) (7899903) **12.30pm** Family Alfairs (r) (T) (4463361)

1.00 5 News Update (T) (21461877) 1.05 Sunset Beach (T) (8413748) 2.00 5's Company (6486903)

3,30 Combat Academy (1987) with George ER Clooney, Keith Gordon and Wally Ward Comedy about two pranksters sent to a military academy. Directed by Neal israel (1912748)

5.20 5's Company: Late Extra (68529361) 5.30 100 Per Cent (7236941)

6.00 Move on Up (T) (7233854) 6.30 Femily Affairs Annie's on the warpath and Chris upsets Jamie (T) (7224106) 7.00 Exclusive! Entertainment guide with Julia Bradbury (6583545)



A cuckoo in the nest (7.30pm)

7.30 Wings over Britain: Cuckoo Nes Toyah Willcox examines the life of the cuckoo (T) (7213090)

8.00 Attractions (6592293) 8.30 5 News (T) (6408800)

9.00 Murder COD (1990) with William Devane, Patrick Duffy and Chelsea Field Chilling Iale of a voyeuristic serial killer. Directed by Alan Metzger (43939212)

10.45 Not the Jack Docherty Show

11.30 Prisoner: Cell Block H (6497019) 12.30am The Rape of Richard Beck (1985) with Richard Crenna, Meredith Baxter British Briney and Pat Hingle. Drama about a

Directed by Karen Arthur (7411305) 2.15 The Deflant Ones (1985) with Robert Unch, Carl Weathers and Barry Corbin Drama about two liceing convicts, one a

David Lowell Rich (5707591) 3.55 The Halliday Brand (1957, b/w) Western with Joseph Cotten and Viveca Lindfors, directed by Joseph H Lewis (44574626)

5.15 The Road (97633959) 5.30 100 Per Cent (r) (3404442)

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World (58309) 11.00 Days of Dur Live (38545) 12.00 Oprah Whitrey (54613 1.00pm Geraldo (13651) 2.00 Sally Jess 1,00pm Geratio (13651) 2,00 Sully Jessy Rephael (27941) 2,00 Jerny Jories (2047), 4,00 Oprah Wintey (2212) 5,00 Star Treic Next Generation (8380) 9,00 Real TV (2670) 6,30 Mayred — with Chickre (33221 7,00 The Simpsons (4309) 7,30 M\*A\*S\*H (9108) 8,00 The Big. Easy (32664) 9,00 Webst Towas Renger (68600) 1,000 High Incident (42187) 11,00 Star Treic May Generation (42187) 11,00 Star Treic May Generation (59038) 12.00 Late Show with Letter (50626) 1.00mm Hit Wix (8564442)

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8.00am Champions: A Love Story (1978) (80725) 8.00 Phase: Nº (1973) (18253) 10.00 The Absolute Truth (1995) (12803) 11.30 Two of a Kind (1983) (13525) 1.00pm Latter from the East (1985) (41895) 3.00 Champions: A Love Story (1979) (7495) 3.00 Migratic on 34th Street Truth (1906) (48822) 9.00 To Wong Foo. Thanks, for Everything, Julie Newman (1995) (57010): 31.00 Aktheeth (1994). (951361) 12.35am No Ordinary Summer

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6,00mm Dumbo's Circus (68309) 6.30 Faera Tele Theatre (16800) 7.30 Little Mermad (7941212) 7.55 Timon and Pumbag (6818038) 8.10 Good Tropo Marcis (6400212) 10.15 Cuack Peck 19060903) 10.40 Cuack Peck (5838093) 11.00 Boy Meets World (5955748) 11.25 Monday Years (1707372) 11.50 Timon Ine groner rear (170372) 11.30 Prices and Pumbas (4224019) 12.05pm Bonkers (1762187) 12.30 Microscopic Million (28362028) 12.35 Sp Garage (35606477) 12.50 Sing Me a Story (6762477) 1.15 Madbort's Adventures Growing Up Wild (53157941) 1.40 Adventures in Wonderland Medison's Adventures Growing Up Wild (\$315/941) 1.40 Adventures in Wonderland (\$1543/56) 2.06 Small Stones (\$562969) 2.10 Lamb Chop's Play-Along (\$2362922) 2.40 Carc Boars (77/98106) 3.00 Liffs Marmaid (4953477) 3.25 Timon and Pumbas (\$6085090) 3.40 Tale Spin (\$15763) 4.30 Choosaday (\$3005 5.00 Alexini (\$232019) 5.25 Timon and Pumbas (\$508903) 5.36 Mighly Ducks (\$53336) 8.00 Gargoyles (\$5161 6.30 The Wonder Years (1748) 7.00 The Wayne Maniesto (5835) 7.30 FILM: Ernest Goes to School (82309) 9.00-10.00 Figure (43854)

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6.00mm Wubbulous World of Dr Smine (26309) 6.30 Will Chard Chasck-Linie Bear Storter-Burnanas in Pyremas-Wetor and Mana (48458) 7.00 Babar (86106) 7.30 Tales from the Chypliceper (98941) 8.00 Jumani; (90856) 8.30 Hey Amoid (98106) 9.00 Rugrati (90456) 9.30 Rugrati (26748) 10.00 Doug (62038) 10.30 Asashri Reid Monstor; (55570) 11.00 Rockor (61748) 11.30 The Rein and Sampo Show (62477) Norsters (55570) 11.00 Rocko (61748) 11.30 The Ren and Sumpy Show (62477) 12.00 The Adventures of Pete and Pete (33922) 12.30pm Clarissa Explains if All (20564) 1.00 Alex Mect. (65477) 1.30 Round the Twist (29835) 2.00 Barley Experts Point of View (8019) 2.30 Littlest Pet Stop (1729) 3.00 Stickin' Around (1864) 1.30 Barrio the Kull (6274) 4.00 Hey Amoud (5308) 4.30 Rugrats (4253) 5.00 Salar Salar (3668) 5.30 State Sater (5545) 6.00 Mousha (2458) 6.30-7.00 Are tou Alirad of Mousha (2458) 6.30-7.00 Are you Allaid of

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DISCOVERY

**4.00pm** History's Mystorice (9691293) **4.30** Ambulancel (9697477) **5.00** Connections 2 by James Burke (2573739) 5.30 Juras ylea II (9688779) 6.00 Who Things Predators 18567106; 7.00 Beyond 2000 (2586293) 7.30 The Conquest of Spain History's ery Drangutans - High Society (6116019) Justice Files (6123070) 11.00 Hitler (9266922) 12.00 State of Alen (1622133) 12.30am Ambulence! (9809881) 1.00 The Conquest of Spain History's Turning Points. (4998152) 1.30-2.00 Connections 2 by James Burke (7425775)

THE HISTORY CHANNEL 4.00pm The Great Early of the Century (906941) 5.00 Memories of 1984 (6549090) 6.00 Ancient Mysteries CHALLENGE TV

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England deny Graveney ordered pitch switch after protest from Australia manager

# Atherton stands firm amid storms

HEADINGLEY (first day of was changed, something he five: Australia won tossl: England have scored 106 for three wickets against Australia

FOR a mild, civilised man not given to courting controversy. David Graveney has had quite a week. Yesterday he was the subject of an official protest by the Australia management and the author of the first contentious selection of the summer. All this before the Headingley Test match had even begun.

The game crept apologeti-cally into life, with only 4.5 overs possible in two brief teasers until the sun deigned to shine on a two-hour evening session. England could have

#### SCOREBOARD

Total (I wkts, 96 overs, 157min) ...... 108 G.P. Thorpe, J.P. Crawtey, M.A. Ealham, R.D.B. Croft D. Gough and A.M. Smith to bel FALL OF WICKETS 1-43 (America 10), 2-58 (Alberton 16), 3-103 (Alberton 3C)

done without it. In searching conditions, with movement off the seam and the odd ball bouncing extravagantly, they lost three wickets. In the circumstances, it was an achievement to keep the casualty count in check and, crucially, Michael Atherton survived the trial.

The limited progress on the field was amply compensated for by the fevered activity beyond the boundary. The latest shot in the great pitch battle, as it somehow seems to have become, was fired by the Australia manager, Alan Crompton, who effectively accused Graveney of subterfuge. Crompton's complaint is not

that the pitch for this game

now concedes to be acceptable, but that Graveney, the chairman of selectors, was perceived to have had an input. On this fine point, the Australians have become startlingly

The concerns of Crompton were voiced "in very strong terms" in a call to Tim Lamb the chief executive of the England and Wales Cricket Board, late on Wednesday evening. Yesterday, the two men met. Crompton having already drafted a letter and informed the match referee, Cammie Smith, of his Lamb responded vigorous-

ly. "David Graveney did not take the decision." he said. We could not have a position in which the chairman of selectors is overruling or instructing a ground authority. Those who have despaired of England's inertia in the past might ask why on earth not but at least Lamb was supportive of a chairman who appears to have done nothing more heinous than attend to his responsibilities.

If Graveney was bewildered by the sensitivity of the opposi-tion, he also had some mollifying to do in his own dressingroom. Shortly before the scheduled start. Andrew Caddick, an ever present in England's previous five Tests. Smith. Caddick's dismay was shared by one member of the team hierarchy, making it the first time Graveney has had to impose his chairman's

adopted pitch, and the heavy cloud cover, England would have batted first if Atherton had won the toss. Instead. Mark Taylor, calling correctly for the fourth time in four Tests, chose to bowl anyway. Taylor did not insert the opposition once in his first 25 Tests as captain. In his last six. he has won the toss five times and inserted all but once.

After steady overnight rain. topped up by morning showers, it was 12.10 when play began before a patient capaciry crowd. Glenn McGrath and Paul Reiffel bowled two overs each before the rain returned. enough to indicate that the surface was easy-paced but, predictably, offering lateral movement.

The second flirtation with play brought only five balls.



Butcher pushes a ball from McGrath to the square-leg boundary during the shortened first day of the fourth Test match yesterday. Photograph: Mare Aspland

one of which was revealing. Mark Butcher was so comprehensively beaten by a lifting, seaming ball from McGrath that it also flummoxed lan Healy and flew for four byes. England happily retreated, and would contentedly have settled for 14 without loss as an overnight position.

A severe local storm decanted so much rainwater on the ground that three motorised mops, in various states of disrepair, were forced into action in an attempt to salvage something from the day. Another heavy shower would have made abandonment inevitable but, after innumerable inspections, play resumed

shortly before 5pm. Butcher took most of the strike and McGrath fed him in his favoured area around his pads. Atherton, assured but unhurried, required ten overs to score his first run and had made only two by the thirteenth over, when he suddenly whipped two consecutive fours through square leg

off McGrath. With his strike bowler straying in line, Taylor switched Reiffel to the Football Stand End, with immediate, freakish effect. His first ball replicated many that McGrath had offered and Butcher turned it firmly off his less but directly into the midriff of Greg Blewett at short leg. Blewett knew little about it: Butcher's expression of disgust was

graphic.
Alec Stewart has not had a

productive series and these were not conditions conducive to an improvement. He wafted at his first ball, fortunate to avoid contact, and had made only seven when Jason Gillespie undid him with extra bounce, the ball ballooning off the shoulder of the bat to Biewen, who saw this one all

the way. Stewart's series aggregate is now 110 runs at an average of 18. Much more of this and Graveney's panel really might have to give serious thought to

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a change in the batting order. Nasser Hussain played his usual assertive role, sometimes living dangerously, but was only three overs from the sanctuary of the close when smartly taken at first slip off

Atherton, however, was exuding calm authority, despite having scored eight runs in the first innings of the three previous Tests. In such a mood, he is as reassuring a presence as Graham Gooch. who played his final Test as captain in the corresponding match four years ago. England lost that game and with it the Ashes. They need the present captain to bat a considerable time today if the dream of recovering them is to last beyond the weekend.

## Smith on a loser in name game

BY SIMON WILDE

ONE of P.G. Wodehouse's most colourful characters was a man born with a name so colourless that its owner knew it needed jazzing up if he was to get on in life. He affected to place a silent "P" in front of his surname. His name was Mike Smith.

"Psmith" had the right idea. The surname is too common to be tolerated by an ambitious fellow. It is crushing in its anonymity. Blessed with a silent "P". Psmith prospered. It is a tale that the 586th Test cricketer to play for England vould do well to heed. Mike Smith, the Gloucester-

shire swing bowler, who was



Smith: awarded cap

given his national cap by Michael Atherton, his captain, on the outfield at Headingley yesterday, is the third "Mike Smith" to play for England. The first was M.J.K. who batted elegantly for Warwickshire and captained his country 25 times in the 1960s; the second, the former Middlesex opener and now the county's scorer, played in one-day in-

ternationals a decade later. There have been 12 other England Test cricketers named Smith — two of them. Harry and David, also played for Gloucestershire - not to mention three South Africans. three New Zealanders, two Australians and two West

Indians.

The frightening thing is how unsuccessful almost all of them have been. Only four have played a dozen times or more: M. J. K. and Robin. maker of nine centuries between 1989 and 1995; New Zealand's distinguished wicketkeeper, lan; and West Indies' gifted and ill-fated Collie, killed in a car crash.

Burdened with such commonplace names, most of them have conspicuously failed to stand out. "I don't want to be just a journeyman cricketer." Mike Smith insisted this week. Some chance. What must he do to be heard above the symphony of Smiths? Take 100 Test wickets? 200? He is 29 already. One option is the assemblage of initials favoured by "M. J. K." and "A. C.", one-time England wicketkeeper and former chairman of the now-defunct Test and County Cricket Board. There has not yet been ... an "A. M.". Another is to get a racy nickname, such as "Razor or Tiger. First, he would have to get rid of the highly

unoriginal Smudger.
Of course, a trick has already been missed. Smith was christened Andrew Michael, but, when he was about eight years old, his mother had a

he be known as Mike. No Andrew Smith has ever played Test cricket. England's 585th Test crick-

eter did not have this problem of pedigree. Dean Headley belongs to the only family of that name ever to play Test. cricket, his father and grandfather having appeared for West indies By contrast, Smith's father played club cricket in Yorkshire his grandfather (Mike thinks) one match for Yorkshire's second XI. The silent "P" may be the only answer.

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on dung on to their Football League status yesterday at an extraordinary general meet-ing of the 72 League clubs. who voted by a majority of 47 to 17 in a secret ballot not to expel Brighton for late payment of a £500,000 bond: there were eight abstentions. "I was always confident that understanding, good sense and fairness would prevail." Dick Knight, the Albion chairmanelect, said. "The club and its supporters deserve nothing

The bond, a guarantee that the club would fulfil its fixtures during the period of a proposed groundsharing agreement, had originally been required by June 20, but was only lodged on Monday. The delay was blamed on legal arguments, first between Brighton and the League, and then between the club's own

wanted us out," Paul Samrah, a spokesman for the Brighton Independent Supporters' Association, said. "The club has an enormous credibility gap with other clubs as well as its

Three months after a Football Association-backed restructuring of the club was announced, an agreed transfer of shares to the consortium headed by Knight has yet to be completed. Bill Archer, the outgoing chairman, has stated that the shares will be transferred by the end of the month. but, in the meantime, he are

able temporary alternatives in the Brighton area. A three-year sharing agree-

ment with Gillingham, negotiated by Archer and Bellotti, has proved extremely unpopular with supporters; the Knight faction, and a majority of the club's followers, favour sharing the New Den with Millwall. However, consultations with the Lewisham licensing authority will be required, as well as some

fixture adjustment. "I've received encouragement from the League that they would receive such an application in a positive light." Knight said vesterday, but he added: "Let's get all the necessary arrangements in place

Whatever the outcome of the negotiations with Millwall, it match will be the visit of Macclesfield Town three days

Wherever Brighton's temporary nest proves to be, they will eventually have to find a permanent home: the terms of the bond are conditional on the club returning to the Brighton and Hove area within three years. To this end, the consortium has approached Brighton and Hove Council with a view to building a new stadium at Waterhall Valley, on the outskirts of Brighton.

Celtic continued their rebuilding programme yesterday by signing Craig Burley, the Scotland international, from Chelsea for £2.5 million. David Jones, the Southampton manager, returned to Stockport County, his former club, to complete the £1.7 million signing of goalkeeper Paul Jones and defender Lee Todd. Paul Warhurst completYou want lower phone bills? it's your call! tor which calls. You'll have up to afficien BT's long And give and interplation, period, over with their Francis and Family School - Just compare what you're currendly paying for a fight immute call with

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